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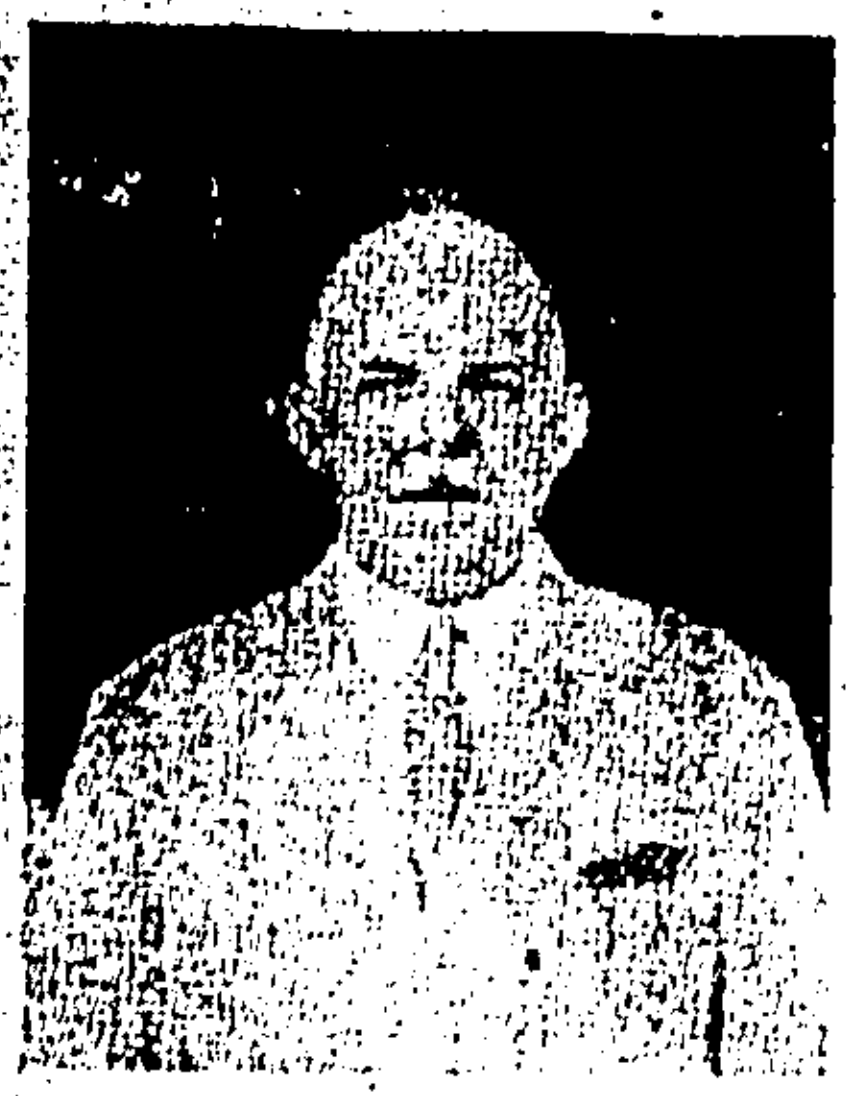
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All that is known about tyre making is embodied in **DUNLOP TYRES**



Sir Samuel Wilson, Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, who leaves Hongkong today after a brief visit in which he has discussed many problems with the Government.

### RIGHT HAND PAYS LEFT

### NEW BRITISH "LOAN" TO AUSTRIA

### TO REPAY BANK OF ENGLAND

London, Dec. 20.

The House of Commons to-night approved a resolution authorising the Treasury in pursuance of the Austrian Protocol, drawn up at Geneva on July 15th last, to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest on a loan of such amount as would produce a sum not more than one million gold shillings.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, explained that the protocol provided, on the side of Austria, for internal reforms, including the balancing of the budget, and aimed at the abolition of exchange control and the strengthening of the National Bank.

The Austrian Government undertook to meet, in future, all its foreign obligations.

The proceeds of the amount of the loan to be guaranteed by the British Government was to be used to repay the temporary advances made by the Bank of England last year.—*British Wireless.*

### ANGLO-PERSIAN DISPUTE

### PERSIA MAKES PLEA OF INNOCENCE

London, Dec. 20.

In reply to a telegram from the President of the League Council, requesting that no step should be taken which might affect the status quo and thus aggravate the dispute with Britain regarding the Anglo-Persian Oil Concession, the Persian Government gives an assurance that it will "continue to abstain from any act calculated to aggravate or extend the alleged dispute".

The Persian Government also expresses the belief that the cancellation of the Company's concession is not calculated to provoke a conflict between the two Governments seeing that it has from the outset expressed a desire to arrive at an equitable agreement with the Company.—*British Wireless.*

### ANOTHER RECORD FOR M.G.

### 1,700 MILES IN 24 HOURS

London, Dec. 20.

A new motoring record for 24 hours in the 750 c.c. class was set up by a British car on the Montlhéry track in Paris to-day.

Messrs. Eyston, Denley and Wisdom, taking three-hour turns at the wheel of a little seven h.p. M.G. car of standard pattern, covered, between yesterday afternoon and this afternoon, 2,727 kilometres approximately, 1,704 miles. The previous record stood 2,534 kilometres, approximately 1,564 miles.—*British Wireless.*

## CHINA BALANCES HER BUDGET

### Despite Year of Unusual Difficulty

### NO MORE WAR DEBTS

### LITTLE ENTENTE HOLD CONFERENCE

### IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS

(Our Own Correspondent).

London, Dec. 21.

Developments of considerable importance to political Europe are announced as the outcome of a conference of the Little Entente Powers held at Belgrade.

The conference, which has just terminated, dealt with an agenda covering all political issues dominating Europe to-day and it yielded complete identity of views on the international situation.

The main result, however is an agreement for closer co-operation between the members of the Little Entente.

### PERMANENT SECRETARIAT.

A Permanent Secretariat is to be established and it has been arranged that the leading Ministers of Yugoslavia, Rumania and Czechoslovakia are to meet at least three times every year to discuss problems of mutual interest. These countries have already agreed upon the presentation of a united front at the resumption of the Disarmament Conference and they also decided to pay no more war debts until Germany resumes reparations payments.

### JEWEL THEFT ON SHAMEEN

### MYSTERIOUS THIEF AT WORK

Shameen, Dec. 20.

A mysterious thief seems to be at work on Shameen. Two thefts have been reported to the Municipal Police.

A few days ago three watches and a small amount of money was stolen from the Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd., and more recently, Mrs. Southam, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., was robbed of the whole tray from her jewel box. This contained all her jewellery, and although Mrs. Southam states that the actual value was not tremendous, it is a loss that can never be replaced, owing to the associations connected with the jewels.

So far the Police have not been able to trace the thief, though it is reported that a strange Chinese was seen in the flat of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, also of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. This man, when questioned by the houseboy asked him where to find the British Consulate.

It is believed the same man was seen by the servant of Mr. and Mrs. Southam, who reported that a Chinese of similar description inquired for Mr. Harrison.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

### JAPAN VERSUS LANCASHIRE

### INVASION OF COTTON MARKETS

London, Dec. 21.

In a leading article on the cotton export trade and the invasion of Empire and other overseas markets by Japan, the *Financial Times* says that the Ottawa Agreement represents the limit to which the industry can look for relief in the fiscal sphere.

It adds that the settlement of the more-looks-per-weaver issue is the most effective way of cheapening production upon a scale sufficient to give Lancashire a chance of meeting Japanese and other foreign competitors, who have such an enormous present advantage in labour and other costs.—*Reuter.*

### IRISH LOAN FROM AMERICA

### DECISION TO RELAY CONFIRMED

Dublin, Dec. 21.

An official statement confirms the reported intention of the Irish Free State Government to repay the balance due to the United States in respect of the \$1,500,000 floated in the United States in 1918 and 1920.—*Reuter.*

### PROBLEMS OF AFRICA

### ANGLO-FRENCH LIAISON ESTABLISHED

(Our Own Correspondent).

London, Dec. 21.

The problems of Africa furnished the theme of an interesting speech by Mr. Stanley Baldwin at the annual meeting of the Empire Parliamentary Association held last night.

Mr. Baldwin said that liaison has been established on the Colonial side of the Association between British people interested in African problems and Frenchmen interested in the French colonial problem.

He predicted that Africa would provide some of the most tremendous problems of the next generation and consequently, it was very important that the countries who were responsible for the guardianship, both of native rights and western civilisation through large areas, should have a common purpose and understanding.

### FOUR YEARS FOR EMBEZZLEMENT

### FORMER CLERK OF THOS. COOK AND SON

Lo Kau, formerly in the service of Thos. Cook and Son, pleaded guilty at the Criminal Sessions before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) this morning, to a charge of stealing while in the employ of the firm named and of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son (Bankers) Ltd., as a clerk, a sum approximating \$13,000. He was represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara (instructed by Mr. H. C. Lee).

The particulars of the offence are that accused, on or about July 2nd, 1932, while in the employ of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, Ltd., stole £127, 12, 0, sterling, United States \$371, Shanghai \$125, Singapore \$46, Saigon piastres 591, pesos 18, rupees 630, guilders 125, francs 900, and Hongkong \$6,293.42.

The case was opened by Mr. J. A. Fraser, assistant Attorney General, for the Crown, who stated that defendant was engaged at Messrs. Thomas Cook's 14 years ago as a bank messenger and he held that employment for eight years. Six years ago he was promoted to be in charge of the cash in the tourist department. On the 23rd, June this year he was again promoted and was given charge of the banking cash as well. While in charge of the tourist cash he received a salary of \$80 which continued when he was promoted. Had he proved satisfactory he would have received a higher salary. It was his duty to receive the cash at the end of the day after it had been examined and placed in the safe. The till was divided into compartments and it was easy, by merely glancing at it, to tell roughly how much money it contained.

### PRACTICALLY EMPTY.

On the 30th June a considerable amount of money was contained in the cash box, but when it was examined on July 4th, practically the whole amount was missing. (Continued on Page 7.)

### STRINGENT ECONOMY

### IMPROVEMENT IN CREDIT

Nanking, Dec. 21.

Despite the world industrial depression, the slump in the value of silver, the anti-Red campaign and the invasion of China by Japan, the Chinese Government had been able to balance its last Budget.

Without giving any precise figures, Mr. T. V. Soong, the Nanking Minister of Finance, made a statement to this effect at to-day's meeting of the Third Plenary Session of the Kuomintang C. E. C.

The extraordinary financial difficulties at the opening of 1932 had had its inevitable effects upon trade, he said, with a consequent panic and a remarkable drop in the quoted value of domestic bonds.

### HAPPY POSITION.

This situation rendered any prospect of fresh loans out of the question, but by stringent economy, the improvement of administration and taxes and the conversion of domestic loans, the Government had balanced its budget.

The result of this happy position, he added, was that the credit of the Chinese Government had much improved at home and abroad. Domestic Bonds were now, on an average, forty per cent. higher than early in the year and there had also been an appreciable rise in Chinese securities on the foreign markets.—*Reuter.*

### BODY FOUND ON FORESHORE

### POLICE SUSPECT FOUL PLAY

The decomposed body of a Chinese, approximately 40 years of age, was discovered on the foreshore at Nim Wan, in the Ping Shan District, yesterday afternoon. The circumstances and the condition of the corpse give rise to suspicions of murder having been committed.

The discovery was made by Sergeant Hendridge at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The wrists were bound tightly behind the back with sea grass, and the body was clothed in a white cotton singlet and four blue cotton jackets, with a purse attached to the leather belt. Between the lining of one of the jackets were found \$3 in Chinese twenty-cent pieces.

The body had apparently been washed ashore by the tide.

### BRIGHTER HOPES FOR RUBBER

### GOODRICH COMPANY PROFITS

London, Dec. 21.

At the annual meeting of the Goodrich Rubber Company, Sir Walrond Sinclair, the chairman, indicated that the Directors were considering an extension of the business, either by building upon land adjacent to the Company's main factories or by equity of control of some concern of suitable productive capacity already in existence.

The profit shown by the Company exceeds that of last year by over twenty per cent. and a dividend of five per cent. was declared.—*Reuter.*

The weddings will shortly take place between Mr. George William Swart Tru, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and Miss Constance Marie Halsall, 369, The Peak; Mr. James Evans, engineer, of 73, Leen Keen



An impression of the task facing the new Everest Expedition may be gathered from this striking picture showing one of the Himalayan peaks. The embodiment of inaccessibility is an apt description.

### ATTACK ON EVEREST

### CAMBRIDGE ROWING BLUE JOINS PARTY COMPLETE

London, Dec. 20.

Mr. A. A. Brocklebank, who has accepted an invitation to become a member of the Mount Everest Expedition, is the well-known Cambridge rowing Blue.

Brocklebank three times stroked the Light Blues to victory in the Boat Race.

The other new member of the Expedition, Mr. L. R. Wager, is also a Cambridge man. He was a member of the British Arctic Air Route Expedition, 1930-31, led by the late Mr. Watkins.

The personnel of the Everest Expedition is thus completed and the party is leaving England early in the New Year to make an attack on the world's highest peak.

The Expedition has been formed by a joint committee of the Royal Geographical Society and the Alpine Club. Its leader is Mr. Hugh Rutledge, late of the Indian Civil Service, and it includes Mr. F. S. Smyth, who led the expedition which successfully scaled Mount Kamet, the highest peak so far climbed by man.—*British Wireless.*

### CLOUDY WEATHER.

The anticyclone is centred to the North of the Lower Yangtze Valley, and the depression is situated to the north-east of Hokkaido. Both are moving north-eastward. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the coast and over the Northern China Sea. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy.

Ternace, Causway Bay, and Miss Alice Chui, 9 Ying Wah Terrace; and Mr. David Boyle, engineer, China Navigation Co., and Miss Vera Eleanor Roberts, en route to the Colony per s.s. Comerin.

### GERMANY TO-DAY.

### SEVERITY RELAXED

### NEW HINDENBURG DECREE

### POLITICAL COURTS ABOLISHED

Berlin, Dec. 20.

General von Schleicher's promise to mitigate the severity of the regime established by his predecessor, Captain von Papen, is now being carried out.

A new decree issued over the signature of President Hindenburg to-day provides for the abolition of the special courts established by the von Papen Government for dealing with political offenders and abolishes the decrees compelling all newspapers to print official statements.

The decree maintains the law for the protection of the Republic, providing special penalties for attempts upon the head of the State, for insults to the flag or to the Army and Navy.

It is significant that the clause prohibiting the ex-Kaiser's return to Germany has been dropped.—*Reuter.*

### BIG CHINESE BANQUET

### TO SIR SAMUEL AND LADY WILSON

Sir Samuel Wilson and Lady Wilson were the guests of honour at a brilliant Chinese dinner party given by the four Chinese members of the Hongkong Executive and Legislative Councils last night at the Chinese Merchants' Club.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn and Mrs. Southorn, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax and Mrs. Hallifax, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Trantman and many other prominent officials and their wives. The hosts were Sir Shou-son Chow and Lady Chow, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Tso, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau and the honouree guests were introduced by Sir Shou-son Chow to the leading Chinese present, who included the representatives on the Sanitary Board, the Po Leung Kuk, Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital. Sir Shou-son Chow proposed the toast of His Majesty the King, and Sir Samuel Wilson also spoke.

### KENYA'S NEW GOLDFIELD

### NATIVE INTERESTS SAFEGUARDED

London, Dec. 20.

In answer to a question in the House of Commons, the Colonial Secretary, Sir Philip Cunliffe List, gave an assurance that the bill introduced into the Legislative Council of Kenya regarding mineral rights in the newly-discovered Kenya goldfield provided ample safeguards for the interests of the native population of the area.—*British Wireless.*

### BRITISH STOCKS STRONGER

### STERLING'S UPWARD TREND

London, Dec. 20.

Following the rise in the sterling dollar rate, the strength of British funds was again the principal feature of to-day's Stock Exchange. At the close there were general gains of from a quarter to one and a half points, with War Loan 3½% at 98½, showing an improvement of 15/16 on the day.—*British Wireless.*

A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Lam Kong, who was employed as a manager of the Po Hing Cheong firm of Connaught Road, on a charge of fraudulent misappropriation of a sum of \$20,000, on December 10 last.







## GREAT NEW MYSTERY SERIAL

**"WEEK-END MURDER"**

BY GABRIEL E. FORBUSH

## BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

The story opens with a prologue in which a murder is committed by a homicidal maniac. Later he boards a train for Long Island, thinking of the pleasant weekend he is to have there. The name of the murderer is not disclosed.

The scene shifts to the Long Island home of LINDA and TOM AVERILL, married three years and much in love. Linda announces that instead of three guests over the week-end they are to have five. The guests will be COUSIN AMOS PEABODY, elderly, distant relative of Linda's who was in New York on business and invited himself to visit the Averills; CAPTAIN DE VOS, handsome Belgian representing a European perfume manufacturer with whom Averill hopes to do business; MIL STATLANDER, middlewestern manager of the firm Averill works for; MARVIN PLATT, former suitor of Linda's whom she has not seen for several years, and LIAN SHAUGHNESSY, Irish writer on a lecture tour.

## CHAPTER V

Sure in the knowledge that the now lavender sports frock was a triumph of sophisticated simplicity, that her mellow tan brought out bewitchingly the blue of her eyes and the bronze lights of her hair, and feeling decidedly refreshed by a good night's sleep, Linda stopped with lolling freshness down the broad polished stairs. The air was fragrant of fresh, roasted coffee within the house and mingled flowers and sea from without. She hoped none of her guests was before her. She had arranged for trays for the two Europeans; the others had assured her they would descend for breakfast. At any rate,

Tom was down to do the honors until she arrived.

At the bottom of the winding flight she suddenly saw her husband and his expression annihilated in a second her carefree morning mood. Before Linda knew how she got there she was beside him and had her hand on his arm.

"Tom—what is it? Bingo?"

"No. Oh, no, honey—not the kid. Sorry I scared you!"

"Poor old Buntie—"

"Oh! Linda's eyes filled with tears. "Died in her sleep, poor old dog. Well—we didn't expect—"

Tom looked at her, hesitated, then spoke reluctantly.

"No—she didn't die in her sleep, Binks. Don't raise a row, though, of course, you wouldn't—"

Tell me quick—someone's coming!"

"She was killed during the night. Out on the lawn toward the garage."

"Tom! The poor old dog! Where is she?"

His jaw set.

"Where you won't see her, Linda. Sorry, but you mustn't—oh, good morning, Mr. Statlander! I hope you rested well last night. Glad you have such clear weather for the Fourth."

He was talking, Linda knew, to give her time to recover herself and in a moment she was able to echo mechanically his pleasant banalities.

"I think breakfast is ready," she said. "If you men will excuse me a moment, I'll see. Take Mr. Statlander into the breakfast room, Tom. I'll just pop into the kitchen—"

she bolted through the service door and stood a second or two in the short, cool passage. She wanted, oh, how she wanted, to run upstairs and fling herself childishly across her bed and cry. That poor old dog, that darling Buntie! Tom was so mysterious—what could have happened? Resolutely she put her thoughts on the important, controlling details of her household duties.

The girls in the kitchen greeted her dejectedly. Stout Annie, queen of a magnificent new electric range, moved listlessly about this former treasure, seeming not to know or care what her short, competent hands were doing. Rosie was abstractedly filling a water pitcher. Both waited for Linda to speak.

"It's a shame about the poor old dog and you girls know how I feel," she said. "But we've got company and we can't let down before them. Mr. Averill is in the breakfast room with one of the guests. Are you nearly ready?"

More than her matter-of-fact words, the appeal of her voice caught and steadied them. Annie moved more briskly. Rosie counted

over her assembled jam dishes, but for plates and covered mullins with a seeing eye. Satisfied that all would now move smoothly, Linda went back down the narrow passage. As she emerged into the sunny entrance hall, brisk steps sounded on the stairs. Marvin Pratt was coming down, looking very thoroughly tubbed and shaved, rubbing his hands with anticipated appetite. She greeted him and they joined the others in the little room off the more formal dining room.

Cousin Amos was already there, had been down some little while, he asserted proudly. "Romping—unchallenged, this time—"

with a flash of reminiscent injured dignity, "down to the very water's edge and enjoying the cool, sweet air of the early morning. I sometimes think," he added, "that only those who really love nature, and want to see her at her best, gladly pay the price of a little lost sleep to catch the charm and fragrance of the untainted morning hours."

At the reference to poor absurd Buntie's misplaced zeal Linda and Tom winced but the talk drifted on and by common consent they did not bring the tragedy to the breakfast table. But it was to come up soon after when a slam of the screen door announced an arrival and Lian Shaughnessy, bearing his breakfast tray, appeared with the smiling, guileless face of a schoolboy.

"Oh, you shouldn't have bothered, Mr. Shaughnessy! Rosie would have collected that!"

"Sure and it was no bother to save the girl the trip," he asserted blithely. "And 'twas a thought for her and two for myself at that. A bit of my breakfast mullin saved, you see, to propitiate the wee white

monster that set upon me in the dark last night as I entered my temporary abode. It took a kick that I'm sorry I made so lucky, the morning, to free me from the little beast's attentions. I'd have made my peace or bribed my way across the grass, at least, but I didn't encounter the little dog at all."

"I'm sorry Buntie troubled you last night," said Tom soberly. "She is—she was something of a watchdog but I never knew her so suspicious before. I'd have shut her up or sent her away yesterday if I'd known she was going to persecute our guests. I—I wish I had, for her sake, as well as for all of ours," he went on, realizing that there was no use avoiding mention of what must seem, to all these strangers, a minor domestic tragedy. "Buntie won't bother any of you any more. She died—in the night."

"Ah—distemper?" Cousin Amos looked rather alarmed. "Perhaps that accounts. Will you have her—I understand they test the brain—"

"She wasn't mad and she won't be examined," Tom broke in savagely. "The old dog was simply mangled to atoms. Cousin Amos, on the very lawn Mr. Shaughnessy speaks of some time after we all went to bed."

An outburst of startled exclamations interrupted him.

"You mean deliberately killed?"

"Any traces . . . ?" "Did you say there'd been burglars—?"

"Deliberately killed—no traces—and there have been burglars operating around these parts since the summer homes began opening in the spring. It may be—"

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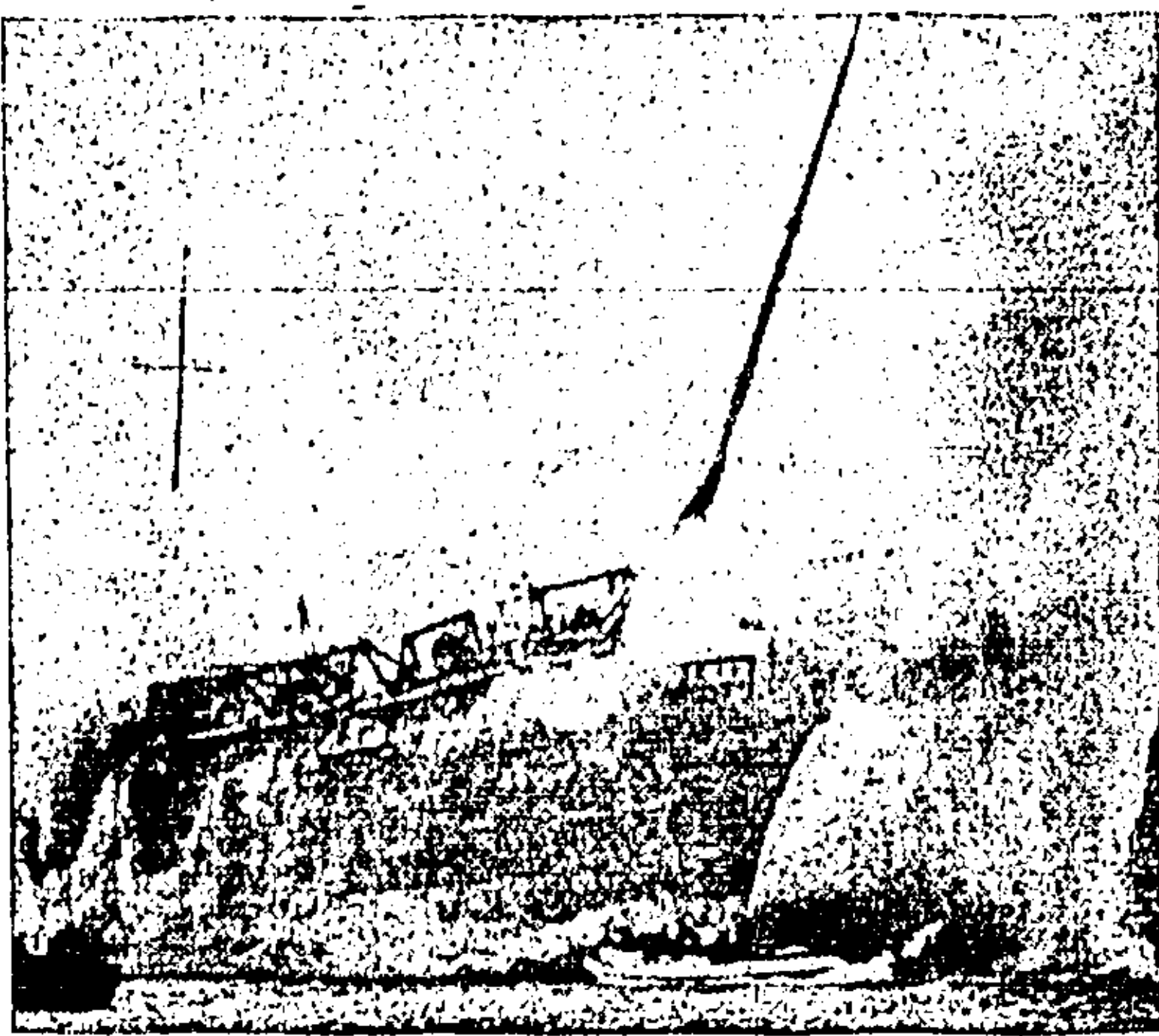
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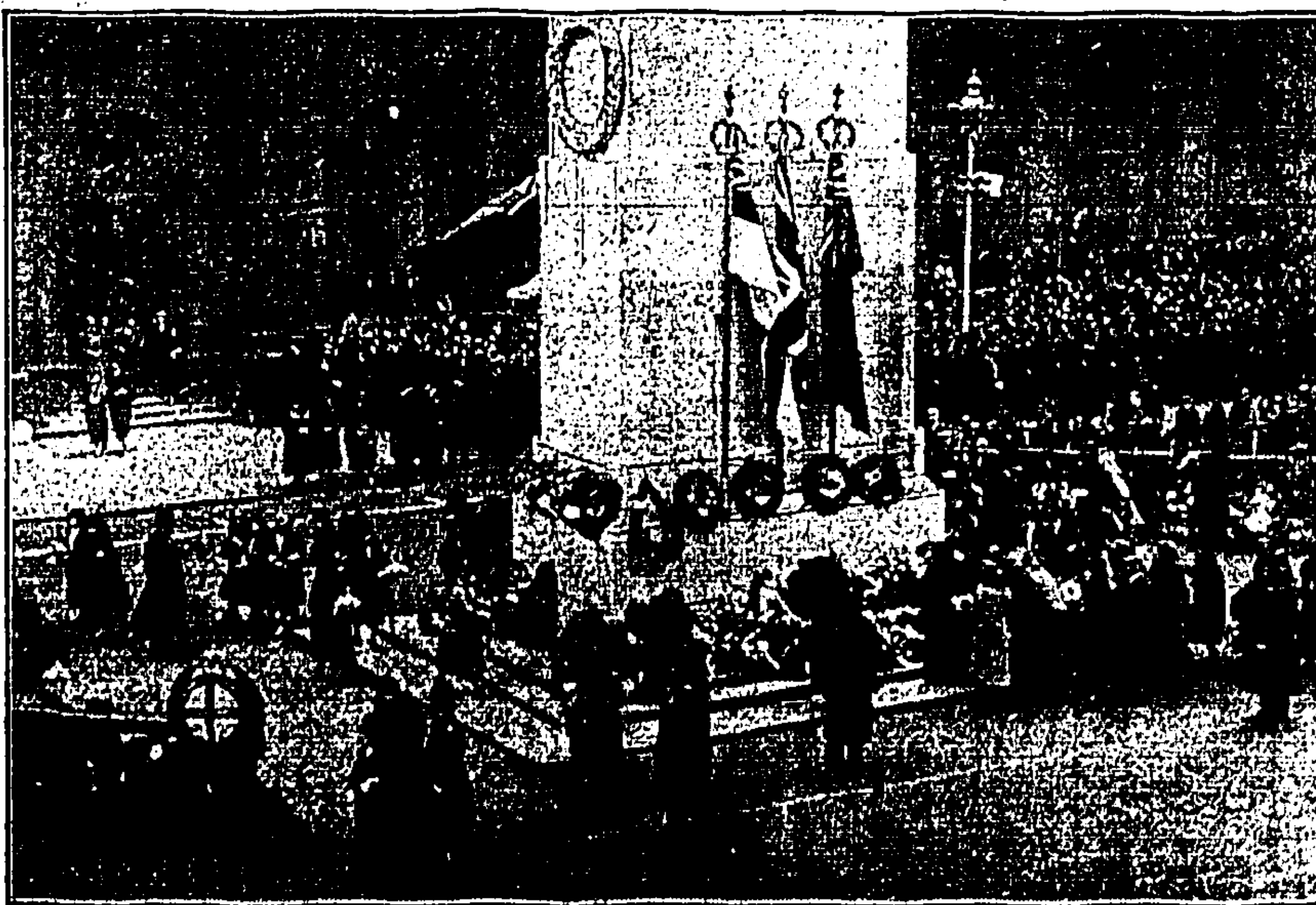
One of the street guard posts in Geneva, the city of peace recently, when machine-guns were used on a riotous crowd with disastrous results.



Mounted police keeping a crowd back during recent Communist disturbances in New York.



A remarkable photo showing the blaze aboard the Dutch mail steamer Pieter Corneliszoonhooft, which was destroyed in Amsterdam Harbour at the end of last month.



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### E. N. ENSOR,

Commissioner of Chinese Customs, Kowloon and District.  
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### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of Green Island Cement Company, Limited, held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 17th day of August, 1932, a Call of \$2.75 per share was made upon all the members holding shares, whose names appear in the Company's register of shareholders on the 17th day of August, 1932, upon which only \$1.00 per share has been paid, and it was determined that such Call should be paid on the 31st day of December, 1932, to the Company's Bankers, The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Head Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid.

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## LACK OF EVIDENCE.

### CROWN CASE BUILT UP ON COINCIDENCES

Lack of direct evidence to prove identification of a child alleged to have been stolen and harboured, secured the acquittal of two Chinese women at the Criminal Sessions yesterday.

Lai Po was charged with stealing a girl under 14 years of age and Lai Yun with harbouring her, but after Mr. J. A. Fraser had opened the case, the Pulano Judge (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) said he was not sure that there was a case to go before the jury.

Mr. Fraser admitted to the jury that there was no direct chain of evidence to prove that the girl with the first accused seen by one of the witnesses was in fact the girl alleged to have been stolen, as the child had not been found. The Crown relied on a chain of circumstantial evidence and coincidences.

### Crown Story.

In his opening Mr. Fraser said the girl, aged 12, lived with her mother-in-law at Taiipo, and had done so since she was four years of age. This was in accordance with the Hakka custom where a girl was betrothed in her early days.

On the day in question she went to feed the pigs, and as she did not return by noon her mother went to search for her, failed to find her, and reported the matter to the police.

A Crown witness would say that on the same day she saw the first accused, with a little girl, board the train at Taiipo and go to Yaumati, where they descended. The witness also overheard this girl ask the accused where she was being taken.

The next thing to happen was that this child was taken to a house in Shamshui where she remained for six days, and for the first four nights slept in the same cubicle as the second defendant.

On November 17—fifteen days later—the first prisoner was arrested and in reply to the charge said, "I did not kidnap her. She followed me to Shamshui."

On the following day the second prisoner was arrested and charged and she replied, "I did receive the female, but I did not know she had been kidnapped."

Charges Withdrawn.  
 The Pulano Judge asked for the principal witness to be called, and a Chinese woman told her story of how she had seen the first accused take a child aged about 11 into the train at Taiipo and to get off at Yaumati. The child, she said, did not go willingly and was protesting. She could not identify the child, as she did not know her at all.

After this his Lordship asked Crown counsel what course he intended to take, and after consultation, Mr. Fraser decided to withdraw the charges, and the two women were dismissed.

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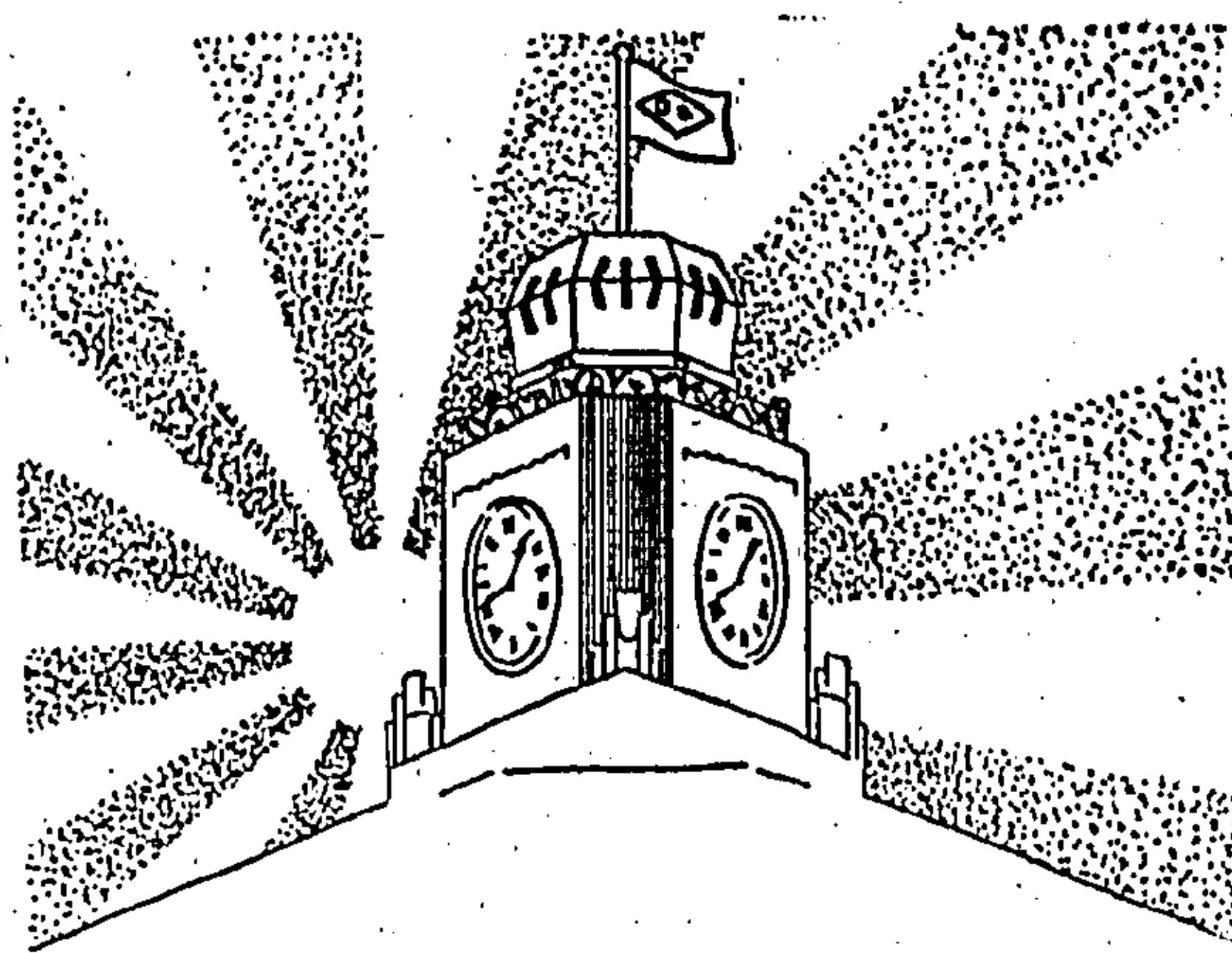
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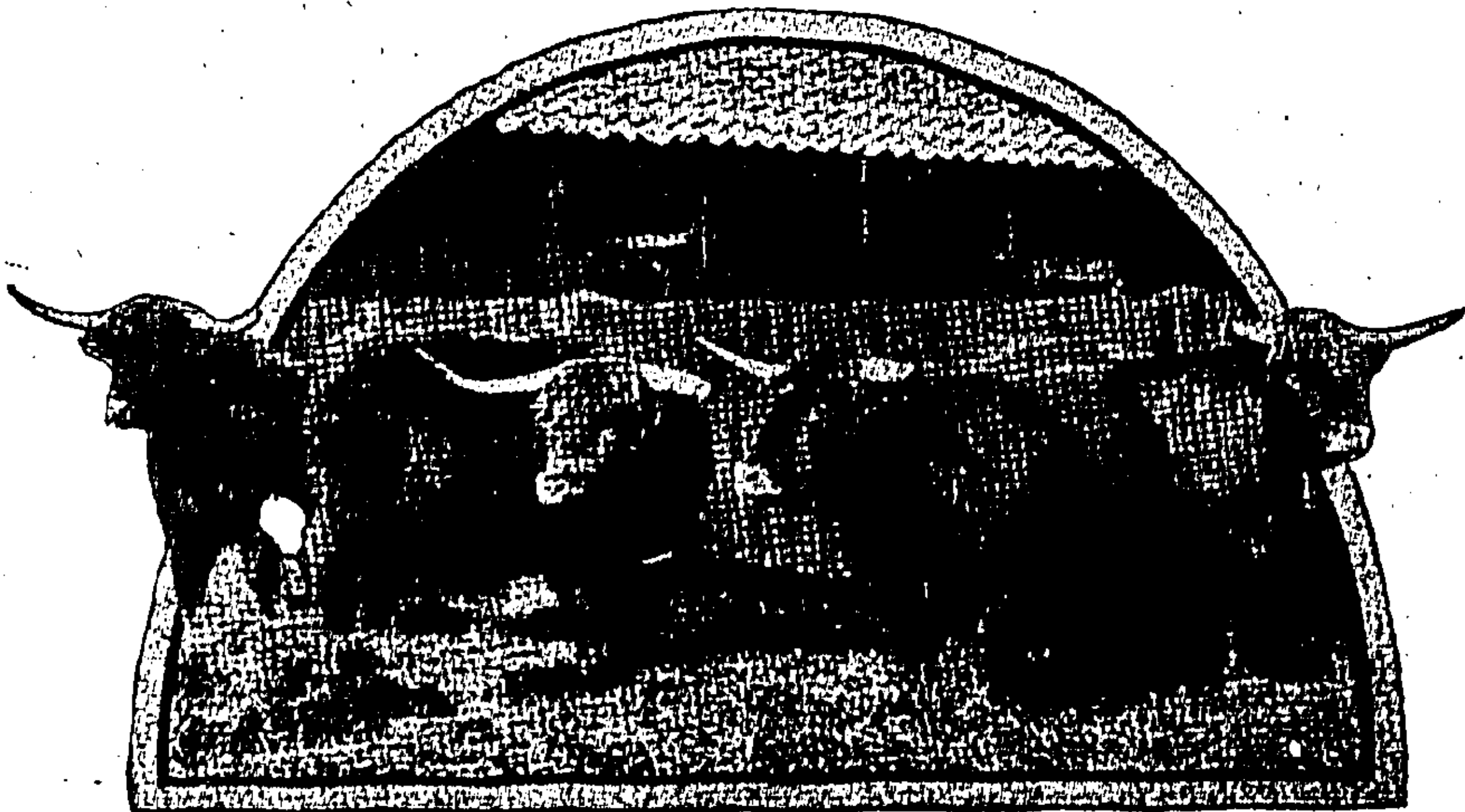
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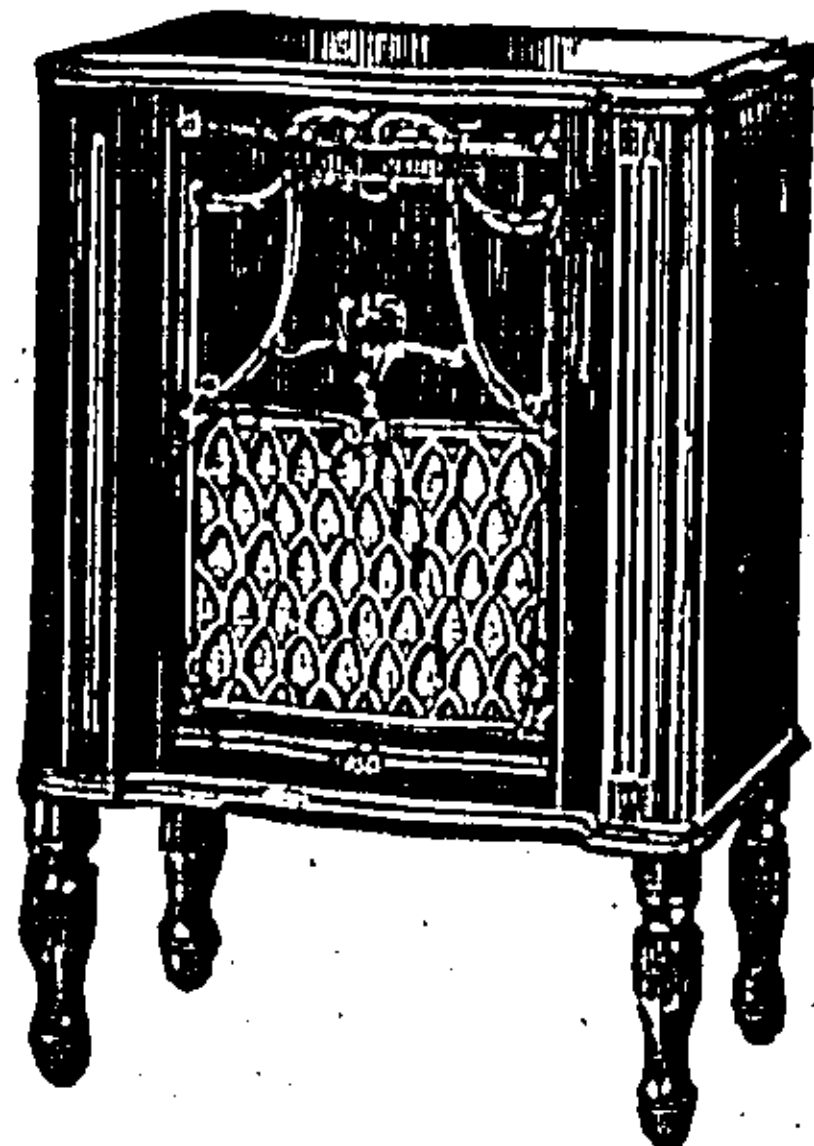
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### BACHELOR JUDGE'S VIEWS

In the King's Bench Division, Miss Constantine Wicksteed, of Nutford-place, Marble Arch, W., sued Major V. D. B. Cooper, of Blakeney, Gloucestershire, for £124, balance of fees due in respect of his daughter Ruth, who, when 18, did not return to the school conducted by plaintiff near Paris.

Major Cooper pleaded that he was justified in withdrawing his daughter, as Miss Wicksteed had not exercised proper supervision over the girls, particularly when they went to Paris.

Miss Wicksteed replied that the supervision was ample and excellent. When the girls went into Paris they were, she said, always accompanied by a mistress, and if they were going to meet friends the mistress handed them over when they met.

Mr. Justice McCordle, in giving judgment for Miss Wicksteed for £92 14s. 2d. and costs, said he would assume that Miss Cooper had, as her father had stated, led a sheltered life. Before going to Paris she was at an English public school.

"I doubt very much," said Mr. Justice McCordle, "whether exaggerated importance is not attached at the present time to the desire to shelter girls who have reached the age of 16, 17, or 18."

### Harm of Ignorance

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In the present case, he continued, the allegations came to this: There was a suggestion that one girl at the school collected the photographs of cinema stars of the male sex. Miss Wicksteed at once stopped this proclivity. Another went out from time to time by herself, but her parents had allowed it.

Then it was said that a third girl had received a letter from a young Frenchman asking her to luncheon with him in Paris and that she went out on the day he indicated. That incident depended on hearsay. It was impossible to treat girls of their age as though they were infants three years old.

Major Cooper, he added, did not make the slightest imputation against the moral character of any girl at the school.

His Lordship was satisfied that reasonable care and supervision of the girls had been exercised, that Miss Wicksteed was a woman of the highest character and ability, and that Major Cooper was not entitled to remove his daughter without notice.

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### CALL FOR GOVERNMENT POLICY.

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The opinion was expressed that if the proposals were adopted by the Government at once they would materially assist in relieving the situation, but that if no action was taken a disaster of national magnitude would result, involving not only farmers, labourers, and traders, but a large proportion of the rural populations directly and indirectly dependent upon the land.

Colonel E. Roys presided, and those present included the Earl of Yarborough, the Marquess of Exeter, Lord Henegge, Colonel Henegge, M.P. for Louth; Sir Leonard Brassey, Mr. H. W. Smith Carrington of Stamford, Captain M. J. Hunter, M.P. for Brigg; Mr. W. S. Liddall, M.P. for Lincoln; Mr. H. C. Haslam, M.P. for Horn-castle; and Mr. R. J. E. Conant, M.P. for Chesterfield.

In regard to wheat it was demanded that there should be a substantial increase of the quantity of wheat on which quota payments are made, and that advanced deficiency payments should be made when practicable.

The stabilisation of the sugar beet industry was requested.

An effective duty on imported mulling barley, and a quota scheme were other points recommended.

Pigs, potatoes, flour, and Irish cattle were among other matters on which action was demanded.

#### Loans to Farmers.

The Conference called for a reduction in the rate of interest on loans made to farmers, with temporary relief in respect of annual repayments of capital.

In regard to meat, it was asked that until the Ottawa Agreements become effective every effort should be made to increase the wholesale price of cattle and sheep; that immediate restriction be placed upon foreign imported meat; that in all Government contracts preference should forthwith be given for home-produced meat; and that a fair price should be secured to the producer.

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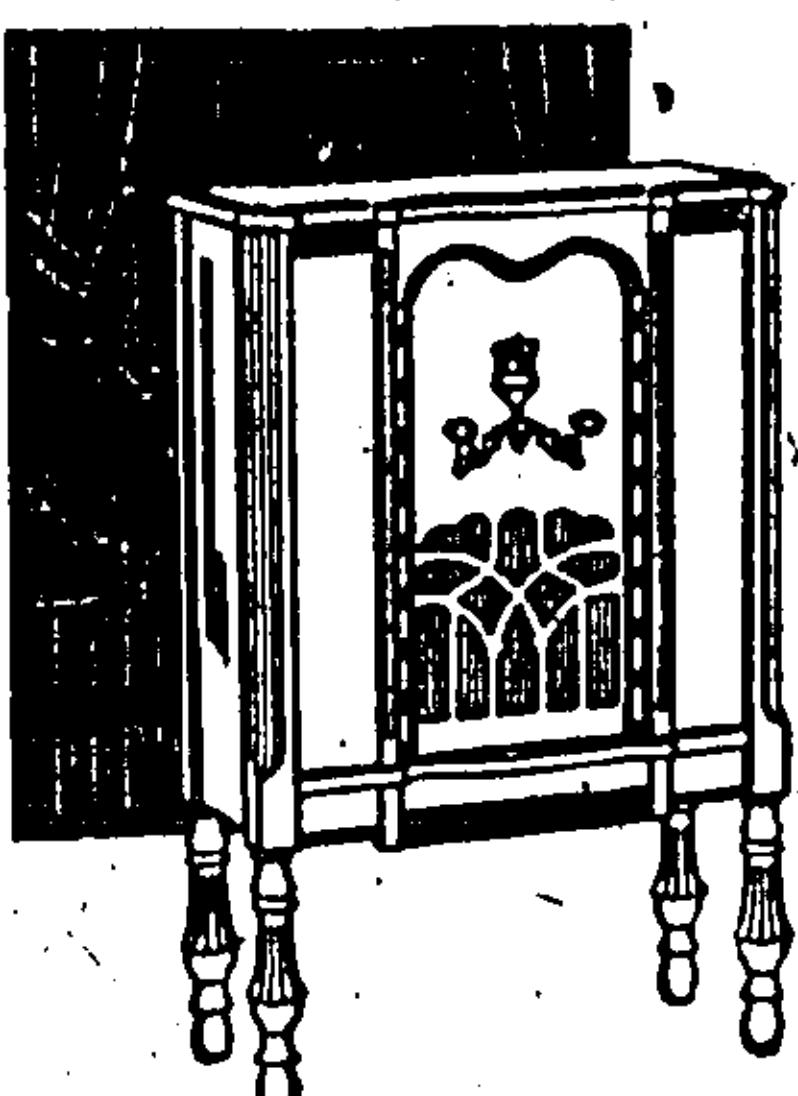
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# CHINA BECOMING

# IMPATIENT

The continued temporising in Geneva on the Manchurian issue is undoubtedly exhausting China's patience. After weeks of arguing and side-stepping, the prospects of an adjustment of the issue satisfactory to both sides appear to be receding. The latest step is that the sub-committee of five has passed a resolution that the Committee of Nineteen must find a settlement, not merely make another report, and that this settlement must be in accordance with the League Covenant, the Kellogg Pact and the Nine-Power Treaty. If there were any prospect of such a settlement being devised within a reasonable period of time, no-one could complain, but it is intimated that the Committee of Nineteen requires six months in which to discharge its task. In the circumstances, Chinese impatience is quite understandable. Whilst the path of conciliation would undoubtedly be the wisest to take, there is, unhappily, little indication that either party to the dispute desires to follow it. Japan still resents any interference with her settled plan, whilst China quite naturally asks that the League hasten its decision. Despite all the complications which have been introduced during the arguments, to the layman the issue appears to be one on which no difficulty should be found in reaching a definite conclusion. It is for the League to say whether or not Japan's actions have infringed any of the three main pacts which are applicable to the circumstances. But there is a most obvious disinclination to pass judgment on the issue by referring the matter first to this group, and then to that, with apparently little hope of finally being speedily reached. The Chinese Government has already made known its inability to accept the latest resolution, whilst the temper of the Chinese people is evidenced by the demands made by a mass meeting in Shanghai that no settlement will be acceptable which does not provide for the withdrawal of Japanese troops, the non-recognition of Manchukuo and the

condemnation of Japan as a violator of treaties. Unfortunately, Sir John Simon, in his anxiety to promote the conciliatory process, has incurred the displeasure of Chinese opinion, with the result that the British attitude is under suspicion. Unless this feeling is dispelled, the most undesirable consequences might easily arise. The need of the moment is twofold. First, there is call for greater frankness on the part of the Powers in facing the issues. Secondly, there must be a speeding up of League action. Failing these, the prospect is a complete failure at Geneva, with subsequent developments of the utmost gravity.

## Of Good Cheer

Most of us are entering upon this Christmas merry-making poorer than we have been for many a season. The world depression has visited us since we last gathered at this feast. But even if Santa Claus is perforce a little less generous than usual, good cheer, we may be sure, will prevail in these coming days. Some may be tempted to make merry on the principle that "to-morrow we die"; but if we could make nothing better of the occasion than that we might as well sit down in sackcloth and ashes here and now. To look forward into 1933 as if all were going to be lost were a surrender indeed. Nothing could well be more foolish than to accept the tale of the pessimists at its face value; for we shall win through just in proportion as we know how to be spontaneously cheerful on a festive occasion like this. This is not just a counsel of facile optimism. In so far as our troubles are due to ourselves, we have set our hand with a will to the task of repairing past errors and putting our house in order. The patch of blue in the sky may not yet be greater than the size of a man's hand; but it is unmistakably there and it is a token of fairer weather to come. Unfortunately, improvement does not rest with ourselves alone, but is indissolubly linked with that of the rest of the world.

## Robots Prefer Women

Robots are not so heartless as one might infer from their outward appearance. Those fiercely-efficient batteries of adding machines which have shot tens of thousands of clerks from their office stools are not wholly devoid of the finer emotions. Sir Herbert Austin informs us they have a distinct preference for feminine society. It may be that men bear them a grudge for possessing the sort of brain that never makes a mistake, and do not treat them with due respect, while women, adequately modest in their presence, sweeten their tempers and put them on their mettle. The fact remains that they do their best work when wheeled rather than dragged. This is a heartening discovery. There is still some hope for the human race if the Franksteins created by man can be tamed by woman. It will be extremely embarrassing, no doubt, when the evolution of the Robot reaches the stage that each begins to show a preference for some individual blonde or brunette, and refuses to work for anyone else, but that would be preferable to an army of soulless machines inspired by a common urge to oust mankind from the dominion of Earth. Meanwhile, Sir Herbert Austin pays a well-merited tribute to the proficiency of women as factory workers. It is surprising that girls have "taken to" machinery so quickly and that their management of it should so often be superior to that of youths. In monotonous routine work woman's patience and interest in detail stand her in good stead. Man has this to his credit, however, that when anything goes radically wrong with the machine, woman invariably takes a back seat until the wheels are once again set in motion.

## A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

SOME RELAXATION IS NECESSARY TO PEOPLE OF EVERY DEGREE; THE HEAD THAT THINKS AND THE HAND THAT LABOURS, MUST HAVE SOME LITTLE TIME TO RECRUIT THEIR DIMINISHED POWERS.—Glyn.

## THESE ARE THE DAYS

Says JOHN PRIOLEAU

"I WONDER why I had to be born just when I was!" said the man we call Yesterday—a charming fellow, but a trifle on the regretful side. "They were good days, those before the War, when life ran smoothly and there was none of this ghastly restlessness and unrest. Peace is what I like and I shall never know it again. None of you seem to realise that we are living in the worst age in history."

I have heard old Yesterdays talk rubbish before, but this exceeded his usual ration, as I pointed out to him. I wouldn't have lived at any other time for anything you could offer me.

I don't know what he meant by "the worst age," but I do know that the last twenty-five years have been by far the most exciting since the world began, so far as we can tell from what records there are. To go back quite a long way, just think of all the things that have happened since Victoria died, and how they came in one marvellous rush—particularly mechanical things.

## The Consequences of War

These are of course now the common-places of everyday life, from wireless to air-liners, whose adventures in hurricanes all over the world are far less often mentioned in the papers than the sickness of people crossing from Calais to Dover on a windy day. (There is a Silent Service, if you like.) But aren't you glad you saw them happen?

Times are certainly rough today, but can you think of any period in the world's history when to-morrow was as eagerly looked forward to? We need not go back to the War for examples of that tense expectation of the unknown which makes life worth living. The War was detestable in every conceivable sense of the word, but would you rather have died or been born without knowing it? Its results have been, and will be, infinitely worse than it was itself—but would you have missed them had you the chance?

"Pitt said 'Roll up that map,'" Poor man, I suppose he thought he had pronounced an epitaph on an epoch. I should like to hear his views on the map of Europe today, flanked by another of the world. He would not tell anybody to roll them up, but to send out and buy a dozen of each, just to last out the week. Moreover, I doubt if he would die just then. Who could, without knowing what To-morrow will bring?

## The Enigma of To-morrow

To-morrow! What shall we read to-morrow? Will a hundred million people on the other side of the Atlantic be suddenly freed from Prohibition? Will the world be shaking off the depression that is making paupers of its richest citizens? Shall we read that Disarmament is a reality? Or that it is a permanent fantasy? That substitutes have been found for rubber and oil?

Why not? As I sit at this article ex-Miss Amy Johnson is making another of those flights which are merely the fore-runners of to-morrow's week-end trips for all. Why not? They said only yesterday, so to speak, that you couldn't fly the Atlantic from East to West. Why?

Because they hadn't realised that the to-morrows of to-day are the most wonderful that have ever been known. Before they had finished shaking their heads about it the thing had been done.

A friend of mine left Croydon last week to pay a short visit to a place in Africa you could only reach last year in about seven weeks, taking ship and train and motor-car and native litter and canoe and your own feet to the business. Those feet of yours often left prints beside the fresh spoor of picturesque creatures like lion and buffalo.

In the canoe you crossed a very large lake with all the attributes of what we should call a sea, except that it is full of crocodiles. The car made its way along a home-made road impassable for a good four months in the year. It was really one of the journeys of the day before yesterday. My friend is this afternoon, as near as I can guess, somewhere over Khartoum and will be at journey's end the day after to-morrow—ten days out from Croydon, Surrey, and between five and six thousand miles south of it.

On the way there she will have spent agreeable nights in Rome, Athens and Cairo, everywhere living on the fat of the air. She could not have done that last year, which is scarcely yesterday. Why should I wait for a mail-steamer in order to get to New York next maple-time? How do we know that the time-table of the Liverpool-Greenland-Newfoundland or the Falmouth-Rabat-Azores-Bermuda air services won't be advertised by June? We don't know, but we are learning not to be surprised at things. We are living in the most exciting times that ever happened. We are waking up.

## Victorian Dullness

After years and years of dreadful dullness, with a little war here and another little war there, beastly, no doubt, as all wars are whatever their size, but out of sight and mind; with political tea-cup storms, like the fall of Melbourne, the rout of Gladstone by Disraeli and the row over the Ladies of the Bedchamber (to-day the one scene as futile as the other)—after half a century of primeval ooze, life we crashed into adventure. Time opened the shutters and daylight and action overwhelmed us.

From the moments when the Panther appeared off Agadir, Bleriot flew the Channel and Marconi did his stuff, until breakfast-time this morning we have not had time to think about yesterday—and it has done us all the good in the world.

Times are certainly rough. Every other week there is a war hatching or being scotched somewhere, every day the situation, political, national, industrial, at home and everywhere else, is changing. Responsible statesmen of all countries utter warnings and prophecies of such weight as would have made them remembered (and quoted) for years afterwards in the sunset-pudding period. But we get first-class crises so fast that there is no time for us to get fatty degeneration of the mind—a peculiarly British disease, very prevalent until now. I am thankful I was born when I was and that I'm here to-day. I wouldn't have missed any of it for the world.

# The Very Idea!

# THIS WAR DEBTS MUDDLE

By Edward Kelly, Shroff-Dodger.

We note with concern the concern that is being felt concerning war debts.

We don't see the need for this. Too many people think that the war debt position is so muddled, that there is no one with brains enough to see a way out.

They forgot us.

What's wanted is a credit system throughout the world. We have been all in favour of a credit system for a long time, and countless encounters with shroffs has enabled us to evolve one we consider watertight.

The whole thing hinges on the expansion of local and international credit, the gold standard, moratoriums, pegging the exchange, supply and demand, abolition of the tael, exports and imports, overseas interest, the demoralisation of silver and a few other odds and ends.

It will be plainly seen that with material like that, any man who couldn't evolve a system which would defy all human comprehension except his own must be a bit dull.

Now, you ask us, what is this system of ours?

Well, you know how things are now. External debts overlapping external and internal creditors, who are inflating the one year moratorium, while the gold standard conglutates at a low percentage, due to the late war.

Well, where the incidence of deflation of the pound sterling strikes the gold dollar we naturally have a smaller co-ordination between consumption and convulsion which will—may, must—lead to the devaluation of exports and imports on a pro rata basis.

On the other hand, collateral securities taken coincidentally three times a day (t.d.s.p.c.) with a double dose on retiring so bolsters the exchange, artificially, of course, that the financial institutions automatically cease contracting demoralisation from overseas creditors at par.

Now, just see what this means. Immediately the effluxion of gold bears interest at the present exchange rate, deflation sets in and demonization and expansion of internal credits is inevitable. See? ("Yes. Isn't it marvellous?")

Oh, but all this is wiped out by our system. What our system aims at is—

"Listen! Another word out of you, and you'll get an inflation right between the eyes."

## THE SERVANT PROBLEM.

We called on George the other night to see if he could help us think of a six-lettered word meaning something to drink and found him sitting in the drawing-room looking as solemn as a Scots elder on a Sunday night. We noticed that his boots were not on the mat as usual, but on his feet; his hat was carefully hung up. He offered us a cigarette in a subdued fashion and got an ashtray. Hitherto he had used the carpet, the aspidistra, or the conbox for the purpose.

We inquired if he had any other symptoms, and whether he'd seen a doctor, so he informed us that it wasn't anything like that. It was the confounded new amah. She was an absolute treasure, but what a strain trying to appear respectable enough to live up to her.

## WE GO SHOPPING.

We are going to talk shop. Shopping shop. Yesterday we perambulated in Des Voeux Road where there are several shops, and every one so full that every time a shopwalker bowed, a shopper fell out of an emergency exit.

Clearly, we say it here and now, there is wisdom in the slogan "Shop early and avoid the rush." The difficulty, however, when shopping early is to avoid those shopping early—or even earlier.

It's certainly better to shop now than later. You avoid the Rush. But mind you keep that under your hat. We're afraid of it leaking out.

## A HANDSOME OFFER.

Someone has written offering us "a thousand original and hitherto unpublished quotations," all written by himself. "Naturally," he explains, "I should quote you a specially reduced price if you chose to buy the complete collection."

We must confess our surprise. We didn't know authors were allowed to do that. If any reader cares to be supplied with a collection of quotations from our own unpublished works we shall be delighted to oblige. The quotations are typewritten on opaque paper, and cost \$14 a hundred.



"Give her three ounces of milk and one biscuit at four o'clock, and see that she chews slowly."



## KOWLOON JUNIOR SCHOOL

## APPEAL TO PARENTS ON HEALTH MATTERS

## PRIZE DAY HELD

Kowloon Junior School had their annual prize-giving this morning, the ceremony being performed by Mrs. G. P. de Martin. The pupils gave great delight with a most enjoyable programme.

The Head Mistress's report, stated that the attendance was well maintained throughout the year, the maximum enrolment being 114. In October the children formerly found to have some health defect, 14 in number, were re-inspected. Five had improved, and five had left for England. Defects were chiefly those of teeth, tonsils, or enlarged glands. The general health of the children is good—26 cases of infectious disease have been notified, mumps, whooping cough, and measles being the most usual. Several children have milk in the lunch interval, and have been benefited. Most parents are very careful in reporting any occurrence of infectious disease in their family or house, but a few forgot the importance of letting the school know of this at once. The knowledge allows precautions (in disinfecting, children's pencils, etc.) to be taken, and observation to be made of any sign of ill-health in the class. If attention is directed to these early, the complaint may be prevented from becoming epidemic.

Twenty-six children were entered for the Preparatory examination of the Royal Drawing Society in June, and they all passed—24 with honours. Twenty children are going up to the Central British School in January.

## TWO INNOVATIONS.

I have two innovations to report. We had our first Sports Day on March 17th, organised by Mrs. Knill, our Games Mistress. Several of the senior boys of the Central British School rendered great assistance. The Kowloon Cricket Club kindly gave us the use of their grounds for the occasion, and many parents and friends were present. Mr. Brown, Inspector of English Schools, presided and announced that the event had been such a success that it would be repeated annually. You probably noticed six plots at the side of the path. These are our school gardens, which we began this year to help our Nature Study. At the same time, they beautify a waste piece of ground. Mrs. de Martin has kindly given us the benefit of her experience in laying out the plots, and she has also given us a number of plants, for which we are most grateful.

On June 25th we had our "Open Day" when parents could come and see the children at work in their own Form-rooms, inspect their Hand-work, etc. and speak to their form-mistresses about individual difficulties. Mr. Brown recorded that he was struck by the cheerful atmosphere and by the good work done in the school. We are glad to have Mrs. de Martin with us to-day, and all unite in wishing her and Mr. de Martin a most happy and every happiness in the future. Our thanks are due to the Committee of the K.C.C. for many kindnesses; to the Kowloon Dock Company for decorations; to the Committee of the Union Church, Kowloon, for the use of chairs, and to Messrs. Der A Wing for special drawing prizes. In conclusion I must thank all the staff for their co-operation throughout the year.

## PRIZE LIST.

Class 7.—First prize and scholarship, Johnny Polshaw; second prize, Richard Labrum; Headmistress's prize (for greatest progress), Jean Nelson; special prize (drawing), Douglas Hila.

Class 8.—First prize, Dolores Hensley; second prize, Joan McFadyen; Headmistress's prize (for hard work and progress), Edward Beatty; special prize (progress), Anthony Ridlington; special prizes, most "work stars," Dolores Hensley, Joan McFadyen, Brian Mahony, John Hodges, Edward Beatty, Betty Goodwin, Anthony Ridlington, June Moss.

Class 9A.—First prize, Eleanor Lower; second prize, Guy Muller; Headmistress's prize (progress), Billy Kelly; special prizes, progress, Derek House and Roger Arnold; conduct, John Wright; reliability, Dennis Harris; needlework, Maira Lawrence.

Class 9B.—First prize, David McKenzie; second prize, Sandy Baxter; Headmistress's prize (progress), Winifred Ingram; special prizes: General neatness, Poppy Arnold; tables, Dorothy Strafford; sketching, Brian Paterson; good progress, Dick Trotter; general progress, Ruth Barrett; needlework, Sybil Rousseau.

Class 10A.—First prize, Jean Hila; second prize, Eva Gray; special prizes (progress and conduct), James Lathan, John Cameron, Jack Way, Jill Stokes, Kenneth Handy.

Class 10B.—First prize, Jocelyn Biddings; second prize, Nan Taylor; third prize, Margaret Rodgers; handwork, L. Olive Wheeler; June T. Jones; special prizes for progress and conduct, Roy Styles, Kathleen Hyde-Lay, Muriel MacIntyre, Jean Grady.

Royal Drawing Society Certificates.—Honours: Johnny Polshaw, Sheena Taylor, Brenda Nives, Alice Fraser, Edward Beatty, Jean Nelson, June Moss, Albert Odell, Dorothy McGaw, Alice Sanderson, George Jowitt, Murray Nish, Dolores Hensley, Frank Bishop, Brian Mahony, Douglas Hila, Robin Hall, Ellen Spence, Evelyn Rousseau, Florence McKelvie, Derek Foreman, Betty Goodwin, George Wright, Pass: Ruth Kehr and William Grant.

## FINE VALUE FOR MONEY

## NEW BATCH OF OPEL CARS ARRIVE

The new "Opel" cars, a complete range of models of which has recently arrived at the Dragon Motor Car Company's premises at Happy Valley, represents splendid value for a really moderate outlay. Built by General Motors at one of their huge European factories, Opels embody many principles which are to be found in vehicles of higher priced spheres. It is not surprising that throughout Europe, and in many other parts of the world, people whose duty it is to review automobiles, have given generous praise to these vehicles.

A representative of the Telegraph who was recently accorded an opportunity of trying the four-cylinder roadster around the Island found that the claims are fully justified. It should be mentioned that this particular model, which appears to be ideal for local conditions, sells for the low price of \$2,450, which includes five wire wheels, tyres and tubes, front and rear bumpers. Local motorists who are interested should arrange with the Dragon Motor Company for a demonstration run.

## FOUR YEARS FOR EMBEZZLEMENT

(Continued from Page 1.)

On the 1st July, a holiday, a Mr. Wright was in charge of the banking department under Mr. Perrin, the manager, and at the end of that day everything appeared to be in order. On July 2nd, Mr. Perrin and Mr. Williams, another European employee, were the only people in charge of the office. Mr. Williams left early and there was nothing to say how the cash box got into the safe. It had not been handed over when Mr. Williams left, but it was in the safe when Mr. Perrin left. When the box was opened on the following Monday morning, it was practically empty and the accused was missing. Nothing more was heard of him until November 1st, when he was arrested as he was leaving the Canton boat.

His Lordship:—Was he secured in any way?  
Mr. Fraser:—I understand there was an interior guarantee fund to which all the employees subscribed. Accused was sentenced to four years' hard labour.

## SUGAR MARKET

## THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following cable at the close of the sugar market, yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

## London Terminals

March 1933 5/3½ down ¼d.  
May 1933 5/5½ down ¼d.  
August 1933 5/8½ down ¼d.  
December 1933 5/11½ down ¼d.  
Buyers at above prices, sellers asking ¼d-½d. more.

## New York Terminals

March 1933 .74 up 2 pts.  
May 1933 .80 up 3 pts.  
July 1933 .84 up 1 pt.  
September 1933 .88 no change.  
Cuban 96—Spot N.Y. .86 no change.

## DAY BY DAY: NEWS IN BRIEF

Mrs. Sverre Berg left for Australia by the S.S. Changi yesterday.

Whilst pushing a truck at King's Park yesterday a coolie, Chung Fu, aged 41, slipped and received serious injuries to his head. He was later removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

The following were the lucky numbers in the "Busy Bees" Raffle drawn on the 19th inst.—No. 176, Doll with Cot; 78, Frocks; 60, Cushion. The funds of the Busy Bees, which are solely devoted to St. Dunstan's and local charities, benefited by \$165.20.

Seven cases of diphtheria with one death, one case of puerperal fever with one death, and one case of typhoid, were reported to the health authorities last week. There was 47 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis last week. On Monday 4 cases of diphtheria and one case of meningitis were also reported.

A carol service will be held in Christ Church, Shamoen, on Christmas Eve, when rendering of old English carols will be given by a special choir organised by Mr. Southam, of the A. P. C. Some of the carols chosen are in plainsong and are very beautiful. Mr. Southam is to be congratulated on his untiring energy in arranging and conducting the practice for this choir singing and it is hoped that his efforts will be rewarded by a well attended congregation.

## ROTARY CLUB MEETING

## ADDRESS ON A.D.C. PRODUCTIONS

A most interesting review of A.D.C. productions at the Theatre Royal during the past twenty years, in which he had played a prominent part behind the scenes, was given by Mr. W.A. Cornell during a talk at the Rotary Club luncheon yesterday. The speaker dealt with the subject in a witty manner and was heartily thanked for his address.

The Hon. Dr. S.W. T'so presided, and during the meeting it was decided that Messrs. D. Maynard, F.A. Mackintosh, M.F. Key and H. Hong Sling be appointed a committee to arrange for the annual dinner on January 14th. The dinner is to be a "stag" party, and the only guests will be members of the Canton Rotary Club.

It was announced that H.E. the Governor had sent a donation of \$30 towards the Children's Playground Fund.

## COTTON &amp; WHEAT

## LATEST NEW YORK QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz have received the following quotations on the New York cotton and wheat exchanges for yesterday:

	Cotton		Wheat
	Opening	Closing	
December	5.93-5.92	5.92-5.93	
January	5.95-5.95	5.92-5.93	
March	6.09-6.10	6.05-6.07	
May	6.20-6.20	6.17-6.17	
July	6.32-6.32	6.28-6.29	
October	6.52-6.51	6.47-6.48	
Spot		6.10	
	Chicago	Winnipeg	
December	44	39½	
May	46	42½	
July	46½	43½	

## POINT TO POINT

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Sandstrom's "Safety" (Mrs. Gorman).

3rd Event B Class Ponies.  
Mr. H. Balat's "Rio Colorado" (owner) 1

Mr. H. D. Kurd's "Westlake" (owner) 2

Major G. W. Olivecrona's "Chestnut" (owner) 3

Other starters Prof. W. Panzer's "Maori" (owner), Mr. F. Kraemer's "Zircon" (owner).

4th Event for A. Class Ponies.  
Mr. T. Janssen's "Widgen" (M. Gavin) 1

Mr. J. B. Harrison's "Liese" (owner) 2

Mr. K. Neckelman's "Mt. Macdonald" (owner) 3

Other starters Mr. W. D. Foley's "Beauty Spot" (owner).

The result of the biggest sweep which was for the fourth event was as follows: Ticket No. 50 \$205.60; No. 240 \$123.36; No. 181 \$41.12; No. 44 \$41.12.

The members of the Canton Ride are hoping to hold a flat race meeting on January 7 on the Shek Pai Race Course. Since the Mayor of Canton has shown such a keen interest in this sport, it is to be expected that this will become quite an important feature in the future world or sport in Canton.

## DEATH OF INDIAN CONSTABLE.

## VICTIM OF MOTOR-CAR MISHAP ON SUNDAY

P. C. B430 Arjam Singh, a member of the Sikh contingent of the Hongkong Police Force, died at the Government Civil Hospital at 8 o'clock yesterday morning, as a result of the injuries he received through being knocked down by a private motor-car at Shaikwan whilst he was on his way to the Quarry Bay Police Station for duty at 4 a.m. on Sunday.

The funeral took place in the afternoon, and was of an official character. The cortege, leaving the Mortuary on its way to the Sikh Temple at Morrison Hill Gap Road, was joined at the junction of Queen's Road and Bonham Strand by a Police party consisting of eight Europeans, 32 Indians, and 12 Chinese, under the charge of Sub-Inspector Fender.

The remains were cremated according to Sikh observances.

The wreaths sent included those from the Hon. Inspector-General of Police, other Police officials, and the different contingents of the Force.

## SUB-GRIFFINS FOR 1933 SEASON

(Continued from Page 10.)

13.2. Shum Sung; C31 Invincible, Ches., 13.2. H. L. Yung; C38 King Salmon, Ches., 14.0. Dynasty; C40 Goldbridge, Ches., 14.0. Mrs. Pearce; C41 Auction Bridge, Ches., 13.2. Lo; C45 Burgomaster, Ches., 14.0. Wong Sun-Ngai; C46 Jingle, Ches., 14.0. A. Z.; C47 Golden Dragon, Ches., 13.2. Gold; C54 The Goat, Ches., 13.2. Wayfong; C55 Brown Willy, 13.2. Bellamy and Gordon; C57 City of Canton, Ches., 13.3. A. E. M. Rafeek; C59, The Leprechaun, Ches., 13.2. Ulster; C65 Poverty Bay, Ches., 14.0. Dunbar; C67 Myreside, Ches., 13.2. Selc; C68 Philerer, Ches., 13.3. E. L. Hsieh; C62, Oni Yeah, Cream, 13.3. A. M. L. Soares; C77, Bright Cream, 13.3. Quartermaster; C50, Hey Tor, Dun., 13.2. Mrs. Timon; C35, Swale, Blue Dun, 13.2. Mackie and Grayburn; C69, November 22nd, Blue Dun, 13.2. S. S. Li; C81, Iron Grey, Grey, 13.3. Easton; C71, White Butterfly, Grey, 13.3. Asa Tat-hing.

## CHARITY FOOTBALL.

## Services to Meet Chinese at Sookunpoo.

## ATTRACTIVE FIXTURE.

An attractive football match has been arranged to take place at the Army sports ground at Sookunpoo on Monday, January 2 next, at 4 p.m., the proceeds being in aid of the funds of the Ministering Children's League. The game will be between sides representing the combined Services and the local Chinese, and the best players are being selected by the bodies responsible in order to make this a real test.

All the Military and Chinese Inter-club players will be on view and the finest game of the season should result. The personnel of the two teams will be published in these columns in due course.

## THE BIGGEST TRANSFORMER

## TOO HEAVY FOR A LONDON BRIDGE

The biggest electrical transformer in the world had to be carried recently from Hershman to the new power station at Barking. It weighs 110 tons, and as a lorry strong enough to carry it would weigh 100 tons, Canning Town-road bridge could not be used.

To solve the problem the transformer was taken to Surrey Docks where the world's biggest floating crane lifted it into a barge.

It went by water to Victoria Docks and completed the journey by road.

The transformer was made by the Hackbridge Electrical Construction Company, Hershman.

## BISHOP OF VICTORIA.

## DUE TO ARRIVE IN COLONY ON SATURDAY MORNING

The Right Rev. Ronald Owen Hall, the newly appointed Bishop of Victoria, Hongkong, who replaces the Right Rev. C. R. Duppuy, is due to arrive in the Colony on Saturday morning by the Katori Maru from Shanghai, having travelled via Siberia.

The Service of Enthronement will take place at the Cathedral on Friday, December 30, a week after his arrival, at 6.30 p.m., when the clergy and various organisations will be fully represented.

## RADIO BROADCAST

## PIANO RECITAL BY MISS AMELIA LEE

From Z. B. W. on wave-length of 365 metres (845 k/c).  
5.7 p.m. Chinese programme.  
6.15 p.m. Children's Concert.  
7.10-7.15 p.m. European programme.  
7.15-7.20 p.m. Selected London and New York Stock Quotations, etc.

7.25-9 p.m.  
A programme of records kindly loaned by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith. Piano Solo—Waldenrauschen (Liszt). Piano Solo—(a) Waltz in D Flat, Op. 64, No. 1 (b) Etude in C Major, Op. 10, No. 7 (Chopin).

Violin Solo—Cannonella (d'Ambrascio). Violin Solo—To a Wild Rose (McDowell).

A. Foa. Piano Solo—Etincelles (Moszkowsky). Piano Solo—Arabesque, Op. 46, No. 1 (Leschetizky).

Anderson Tyrer. Song—Spiel' Ich die Unschuld Yom Lande ("Die Fledermaus"—Strauss).

Song—Mein Herr Marquis ("Die Fledermaus"—Strauss). Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano). Piano Solo—(a) Filtrations in a Chinese Garden (b) Rush Hour in Hongkong (Chasins).

Piano Solo—Impromptu in A Flat (Chopin). Benno Moiseiwitch. Violin Solo—Tambourin Chinois (Kreiser).

Violin Solo—(a) Moment Musical (Schubert) (b) Tambourin (Rameau-Kreiser). Fritz Kreisler. Piano Solo—Valse in E Major, Op. 34 (Moszkowsky).

Song—Die Mainacht (Brahms). Song—In Waldesamkeit (Brahms). John McCormack (Tenor). Piano Solo—Jeu d'Eau (Ravel).

Benno Moiseiwitch. Concerto No. 3 in D Minor (Rachmaninoff, Op. 30) (1st Movement). Allegro, played by Vladimir Horowitz and the London Symphony Orchestra, directed by Albert Coates.

Vocal Duet—Gruss, Mein Junker ("Die Meistersinger"—Wagner). Vocal Duet—Mein Freund, in Holder Jugendzeit ("Die Meistersinger"—Wagner).

F. Schorr (Baritone) and R. Laubenthal (Tenor). Orchestral—La Gioconda—Dance of the Hours (Ponchielli).

Court Symphony Orchestra. Orchestral—Carmen Suite—March of the Soldiers (Bizet).

Orchestral—Carmen Suite—Soldiers Changing the Guard (Bizet). Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski. Orchestral—Eugen Onegin—Waltz (Tchaikovsky).

Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden. Orchestral—Valse de Concert (Glazounov).

San Francisco Symphony. 9.30 p.m. From the Studio. Selections by the Music Makers.

9.30-9.45 p.m.  
A programme of records from Z. B. W.'s Library. Orchestral. Shepherd's Hey (Grainger). Molly on the Shore (Grainger). Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden.

(a) Serenade (Volkman) (b) Flight of the Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakow) (c) Valse Triste (Sibolus). Chicago Symphony Orchestra conducted by Frederick Stock.

9.45-10.15 p.m. From the Studio. A Chopin Piano-forte Recital by Miss Amelia Lee.

10.15-10.30 p.m.  
A Selection of records from Z. B. W.'s Library.

Moonbeams and Shadows (Squire). Melody (Dawes). The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. Valse Caprice (Rubenstein).

Perpetuum Mobile (Weber). The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. (This record is by special request).

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-Day Press News.

10.33 p.m. Close Down.

EMPIRE PROGRAMME.

To-day's programme from GSD, Daventry, broadcasting on a wave-length of 25.28 metres (11,865 kilocycles).

5.30 p.m. Time Signal from Big Ben. Gramophone records of Instrumental and Vocal Solos.

6.15 p.m. Talk to an Un-named Listener.

6.30 p.m. Dance Music.

7.15 p.m. News Bulletin.

KZRM PROGRAMME.

To-day's Broadcast from the Manila station.

5.00 p.m.—Ten Dance Programme New La Loma Cabaret Orch.

6.10 p.m.—Spanish Information Period.

6.30 p.m.—English Information Period.

7.00 p.m.—Studio Cebuano Programme Ludovina Gonzales.

7.15 p.m.—Spanish Presentation.

7.45 p.m.—Musical Souvenir—Guest Artist—Elena Stewart Cotter.

8.00 p.m.—Studio Requests.

8.15 p.m.—Burgos Students' Radio Club—Key Rowe—"Mic" Master.

8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations.

8.50 p.m.—Victor Masterpiece Presentation.

9.00 p.m.—Dance Music—Bay View Hotel Orchestra.

10.30 p.m.—Close down.

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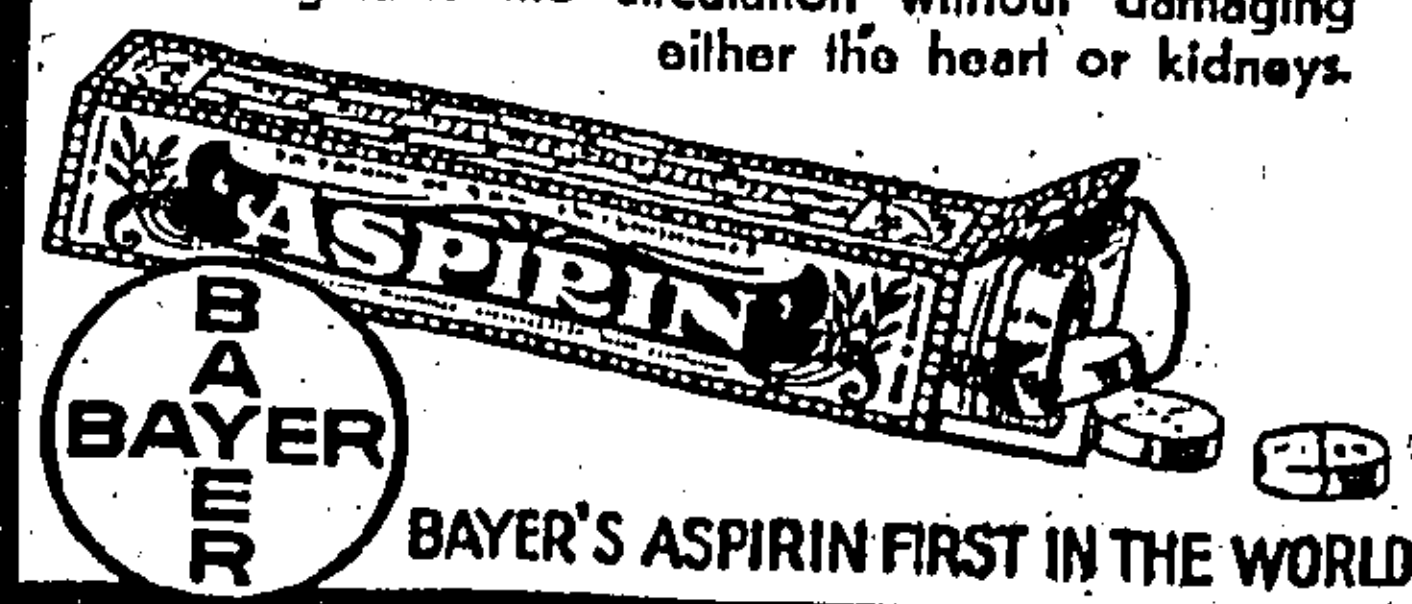


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## IN RETROSPECT

### POINTERS FROM FIRST HALF OF RUGBY SEASON

### DECLINE OF NAVY: ADVANCE OF CLUB: BRILLIANT ARMY

(By "Threequarters")

WITH half the local rugby season behind us it is, perhaps, of interest to review that portion in retrospect. Firstly, I propose to deal with this year's Navy XV who, at the beginning of the season, did fair to repeat their invincible record of the team which represented the senior service last year. With the coming of H.M.S. Devonshire to the China Fleet, the caps in the Navy pack division caused by those who had left the station were more than adequately filled, while there were several good substitutes for the positions in the pack vacated by Crick and Pizey. The only place which was at all difficult to fill was that of hooker, left vacant by the departure of Brown, and this has been a great stumbling block in the way of the Navy success this season.

It would appear that Robertson, who, I understand, has been capped for Hampshire, has been the most successful of those tried but even so the Navy have never yet managed to get their fair share of the ball in the tight scrums, and have been handicapped accordingly. In the earlier part of the season their back division was probably their best we have seen out here, and the Navy appeared to have the Triangular Tournament in their pockets, so to speak. Their only promise has not been fulfilled, and since the departure of the Devonshire there has been a marked falling off in the play of the whole side. Their record to date in the representative matches is three wins and three losses, but the last three matches have all been lost, so it would seem that the decline I have mentioned is an indisputable fact.

THE Army XV have not carried off the honours in the Triangular Tournament since 1912, but they have this season the best XV for many years, and are, at the moment, the only unbeaten side in the competition. In the South Wales Borderers we have a regiment with as proud a record as any on the rugby field and since the advent of Lieut. Martin, the old Army wing three-quarter, the battalion at present in Hongkong have taken to the game with an added zest.

THE Borderers can boast of a victory over the Club and, although in itself a somewhat fortunate one, this win does give a true indication of the playing strength of the regiment. For the Army matches the nucleus of Borderers is added to by four stalwarts from the Royal Artillery in Lieut. Prior, Lieut. Robert, Lieut. Macfarlan and Lieut. Birt, forming a very formidable combination which seems likely to carry off the Triangular Tournament honours.

PERHAPS I might go so far as to say that much of the Army success this season has been due to the play of Pte.

Stevens at stand-off. This versatile player (here he is) has been the mainstay of the Army at attack this year and has never failed to prove a thorn in the side of the opposition. The other Army backs are steadily improving their play and we can expect to see Martin and the Army right wing getting that share of the ball which his attacking prowess merits, in which case the defence of the opposition will be severely tested.

TURNING to the Club's representatives, we can at last say that they are showing a definite all-round improvement and may yet carry off the honours when they visit Shanghai. One must realise when criticising their earlier displays that the absence of Selby, Robertson and several others through injuries deprived them of much of the talent they possessed, and a result a new team had to be built up.

THEIR display on Saturday would certainly seem to confirm the impression that they have entered a phase of improvement. There forwards are infinitely better than last season, the hooking has been satisfactory all along, and the play in the loose which was very mediocre in their earlier games has now improved beyond measure.

IN Miller the Club have a wing forward with a thorough knowledge of the game, and whilst playing for Loreto School and afterwards for London Scottish, and he, together with Hall-Thompson, late of Blackheath, and Munro, another London Scot, form a back row which bids fair to equal the Navy trio in their play in the loose. Some of the other members of the pack, unfortunately, lack that thorough knowledge of the game which is essential in modern

a good account of itself, and should be materially strengthened when Bradford is fit to take his place again.

SELBY has had to be content with the role of spectator and his absence has certainly had a marked effect on the attack of the back division, although Macintosh, his deputy has been playing really well of late. Turner, Riggs and Griffiths have all been improving steadily and with Lummer, approaching his best form, and Ferguson's improved running the Club back division would seem to be becoming a scoring force.

PERHAPS the most improved player, of the whole side is Riggs. He was disappointing at full back and only very mediocre when first tried in the centre, but he has played really well in the latter position in his last two matches, and it will be a thousand pities if he is unable to get away for the Interport. Whiteham's return to the Club side has certainly been a big help, and I don't think I have ever seen him play better than in the last two Club's matches.

ON Saturday next we are to have one of the bit-bits of the local season when the Club meet a XV selected from the two Services. The latter are bound to produce a strong side and the Club will have to go all out to hold them, especially as I hear that Griffiths, Jenkins and McElroy are doubtful starters for the game. The match is being played on the Army ground at Sookunpo, and perhaps I may be forgiven if I offer a forecast of the probable United Services XV. It is:—full back, Lt. Buckley (R.N.); three-quarters, Lt. Martin (S.W.B.), Lt. Galletly (S.W.B.), Lt. Partridge (R.N.), Pte. Stevens (S.W.B.), half backs, Pte. Hoskins (S.W.B.), Pte. Linton (R.N.), Lt. Herbert (R.A.), Pte. Lloyd (S.W.B.), E.R.A. Doggett (R.N.), L/Cpl. Hardy (S.W.B.), Lt. Hubback (R.N.), Lt. Greve-Read (S.W.B.), Pte. Walters (S.W.B.). I am picking the forwards on the presumption that Lt. Watson is on the injured list and Lt. Pizey will not be available.

## POINT TO POINT

### KEEN RACING AT CANTON

### FOUR EVENTS ON PROGRAMME

The Canton Ride held its first Point to Point meeting of the season on Sunday last over the paddy fields in front of the Tungshan Garden Klub.

There were four events in the meeting, for different classes of ponies. This included a special race for ladies only. The full success of the various events and the excitement provided at the finish certainly justified the interest shown by the very large crowd of spectators who had gathered in the enclosure erected for the purpose.

Almost the whole course, which was approximately a mile and a quarter in length could be seen from the enclosure. The track was marked with flags and included quite a number of natural jumps and sharp turns which resulted in a few spills.

The Mayor of Canton and Mrs. Liu Gay Man were two interested spectators. At the conclusion of the meeting the prizes were presented to the winners by Mrs. Liu Gay Man.

#### THE RESULTS.

1st Event for C Class Ponies. Mr. J. W. Ptolmey's "Pink Pearl" (Mr. Paxton) ..... 1  
Lt. Col. Kozik's "Black Hussar" (Mr. G. Hardt) ..... 2  
Mrs. Crowe's "Gold Medal" (Mr. J. H. Ferguson) ..... 3  
Other starters were Mr. T. Conolly's "Patty" (owner) Mr. Ding Ki Twu's "Callicula" (owner) Mr. H. Baist's "Scheck" (Mr. H. Gerhold).

2nd Event, Ladies Race. Lt. Col. Kozik's "Shookhan" (Mrs. Annett) ..... 1  
Mrs. Baist's "Patty" ..... 2  
Other starters included Lt. Col. Kozik's "Faithful" (Mrs. Lehmann) Lt. Col. Kozik's "Hope" (Miss Gillett) Mrs. Janssen's

## STR. LAKE

### A BRILLIANT BOXER

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### New Year Attraction Promised

(By "Veritas")

STOKER Percy Lake, one of the cleverest boxers to appear in local tournaments will definitely be seen here before the current season of the Hongkong Boxing Association expires, according to Mr. J. Brook, the Hon. Secretary.

Stoker Lake, holder of the Lightweight Championship of the Colony, is returning in the New Year on H.M.S. Burwick and efforts will be made to stage him as soon as possible.

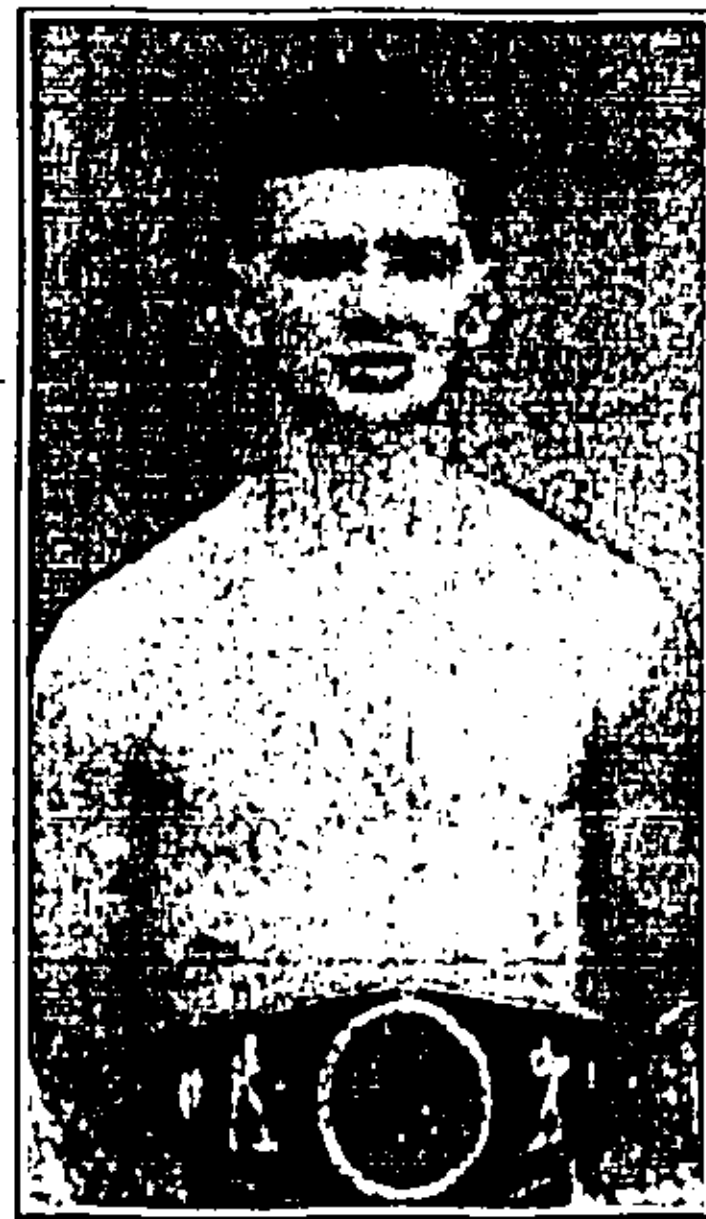
At his weight, Lake is one of the most successful fighters in the British navy. In addition to holding the local Lightweight belt in 1927, and again in 1930 and 1931, he has won nearly all the Lightweight titles of the British navy.

#### MANY ACHIEVEMENTS.

In 1930 he won the Lightweight Championships of the China, Atlantic and Mediterranean Fleets and between 1927 and 1931 did not suffer a single defeat.

In 1928 he won the All China Championship at his weight, and the following year carried off the West Indies title.

In England he enjoyed outstanding successes such as victories over Young Johnny Brown, Ernie



STOKER LAKE.

Jarvis and Kid Socks, and over-seas he included among his innumerable successes, the defeat of Tommy Fielding the lightweight champion of British Columbia and J. Woods, the champion of Seattle.

#### CLEVER PUGLIST.

His last appearances in the Hongkong ring were in December 1930 and January 1931, when he twice defeated A. B. Dobson for the Lightweight belt.

He then delighted the lookers with a beautiful display of boxing, straight lefts which constantly found his opponents' face and body being a feature of his whirlwind fighting.

These two fights are still regarded as among the finest ever seen in the Colony, and the return of such a clever boxer should provide a big flip to the Hongkong Association who have suffered too many disappointments already this season.

## BILLIARDS

### LINCOLNS BEAT Y.M.C.A.

### LAST NIGHT'S MATCH

Although winning the major number of games, the Y.M.C.A. were beaten in aggregate by the Lincolns in a billiards match at the "Y" last night, the Regiment scoring 704 points to 769.

It was a most enjoyable evening, full of good billiards, and several excellent breaks were recorded. C. A. Wright of the Y.M.C.A., scored the biggest break of the evening with a 49, and other leading breaks were Sgt. James 39, Ponsford 37, Thompson 35, Pim 31, Sgt. Ash 30, L/Cpl. Herriott 27 and Pte. Atkinson 25.

After the match, the teams enjoyed refreshments and arrangements for a return match were made.

Scores:—  
Ponsford 150 Sgt. Ash 122  
Wright 150 Sgt. James 120  
Thompson 150 L/Cpl. Herriott 108  
Pim 150 Cpl. Molloy 144  
Gray 74 Pte. Abbott 150  
Tate 85 Pte. Atkinson 150

## FOOTBALL COUNCIL MEETING.

### Draw for Forthcoming Shield Competitions.

#### VACANCY FILLED.

A meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council was held yesterday afternoon, under the chairmanship of Major C. M. Mannera, O.B.E.

The draw for the Shield Competition resulted as follows.—Club v. S. W. Borderers; Navy v. Police. Byes: St. Joseph's, South China, R.A., Kowloon and Chinese Athletic.

Junior: Recreation v. Navy; Lincoln v. South China A; South China B v. St. Joseph's; S. W. Borderers v. R.A.; Chinese Athletic B v. Kowloon; Chinese Athletic A v. Ewo; R.A.F. v. R.A.S.C.

Messrs. G. T. May and Caswell, and Captain G. P. Fleetwood were appointed members of the Selection Committee in connexion with the teams for the match between England and Wales.

Representations which took the form of two letters on Nov. 28 and Dec. 10 sent by Captain Cooper, a member of the Council, regarding incidents occurring on the field on two different dates, next received the attention of the Council. A delay occurring before the reply to these was sent was explained to be due to the absence from the Colony of members of the Emergency Committee.

The Chairman reiterated the necessity of his being promptly informed on these matters, particularly when they concerned one of their Council members, as being best conducive to

## KOWLOON CHESS CLUB

### Penultimate Round Games Last Evening.

#### TOURNAMENTS ENDING.

Matches in the penultimate round of the Kowloon Chess Club championships were played off last night and on Friday the final games will be played. There are several titles outstanding, particularly in the Junior Event. The Seniors, however, should be finished before Christmas.

Results: Senior. P. T. Rozario - C. E. Wong 1  
B. Soltan - A. D. Sequeira 1  
C. M. Sequeira 1 A. C. Ridlington -  
Junior. H. H. Bush - A. J. Biriukoff -  
"A. L. Rocha - T. E. Parry -  
"M. Cunietti - A. Prata -  
"Dr. H. D. Mat. - F. Yvanovich -  
J. Easton - A. Kurrik -  
M. Cunietti 1 H. H. Bush -  
T. E. Parry 1 A. Prata -  
Matches postponed.

#### harmonious settlement.

Permission was granted by the Council for members of the St. Joseph's team to proceed to Manila between February 3 and 21 in connexion with an invitation from the P. I. A.A.

Mr. McTavish having resigned from the Council, Mr. T. A. Mitchell was appointed to take his place. The vacancy, created by Mr. McTavish's retirement, in the Emergency Committee is filled by Mr. G. T. May.

## MAMAK HOCKEY

### 24TH BATTERY DRAW WITH R.A.M.C.

#### THE LEAGUE TABLE

In the only Mamak tournament game played yesterday honours were easy, the 24th. Battery and the R.A.M.C. playing to a goalless draw at Sookunpo. The match was keenly contested throughout and both defences played sound games.

1st Bty.	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
H.K.S.	11	10	0	1	1	9	21
Radio	11	10	0	1	4	8	21
R.C. Signal	13	10	2	1	4	9	19
Medway	12	0	2	4	25	12	10
St. Andrew	10	7	2	1	30	11	15
R.A.S.C.	15	0	6	3	21	22	15
Incognitos	7	7	0	0	27	3	14
R.A.M.C.	14	3	0	6	13	21	11
Police	7	4	1	2	13	10	10
R.E.	13	4	8	1	12	20	9
Phoenix	8	2	3	3	13	16	9
University	0	4	2	0	14	12	8
Tamar	11	3	0	2	13	22	8
12th R.A.	7	3	1	1	12	10	7
Wishart	5	3	2	0	10	15	6
Veteran	5	2	8	0	4	7	4
Farthian	6	2	3	0	9	11	4
German Club	10	2	8	0	8	37	4
24th R.A.	8	1	5	2	7	21	4
20th R.A.	9	1	7	1	3	19	3
R.A.O.C.	9	0	8	1	0	26	1
K.I.T.C.	11	0	10	1	0	41	1
8th Destroyers	1	0	1	0	1	2	0

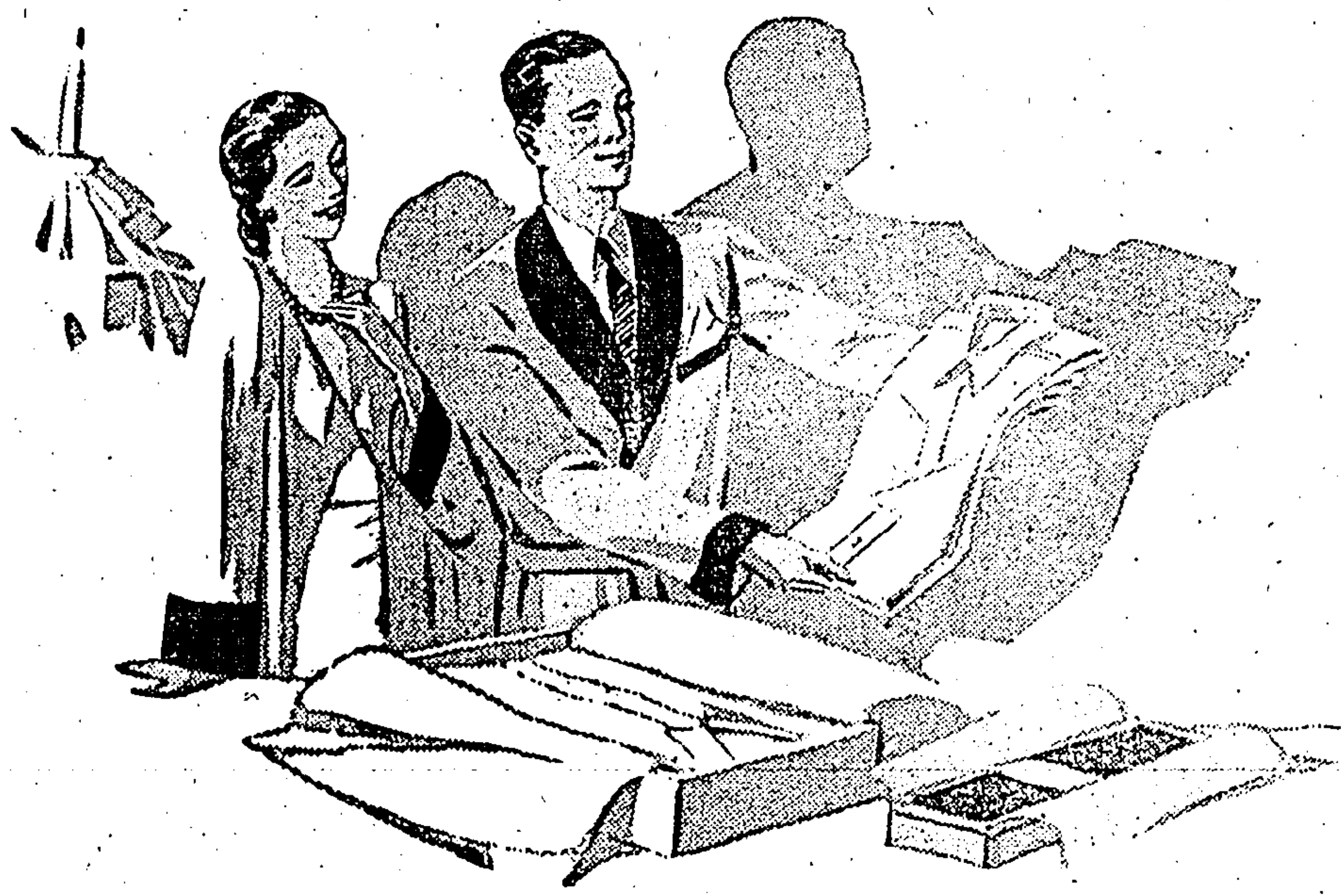
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### List of Names and Stable Owners.

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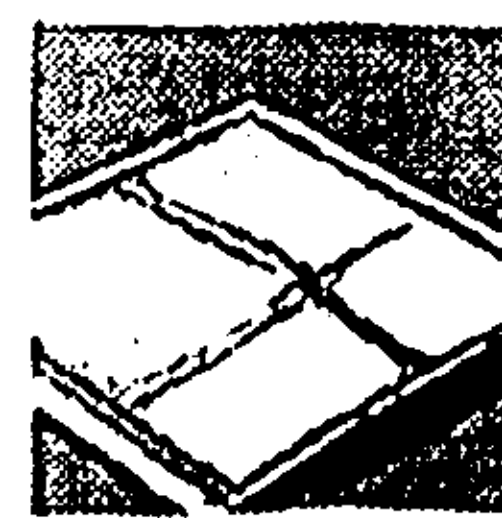
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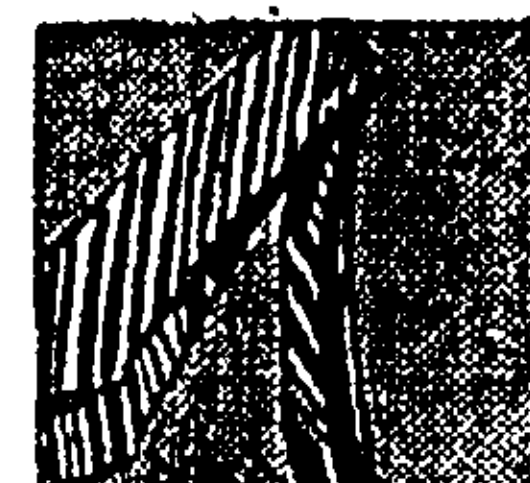
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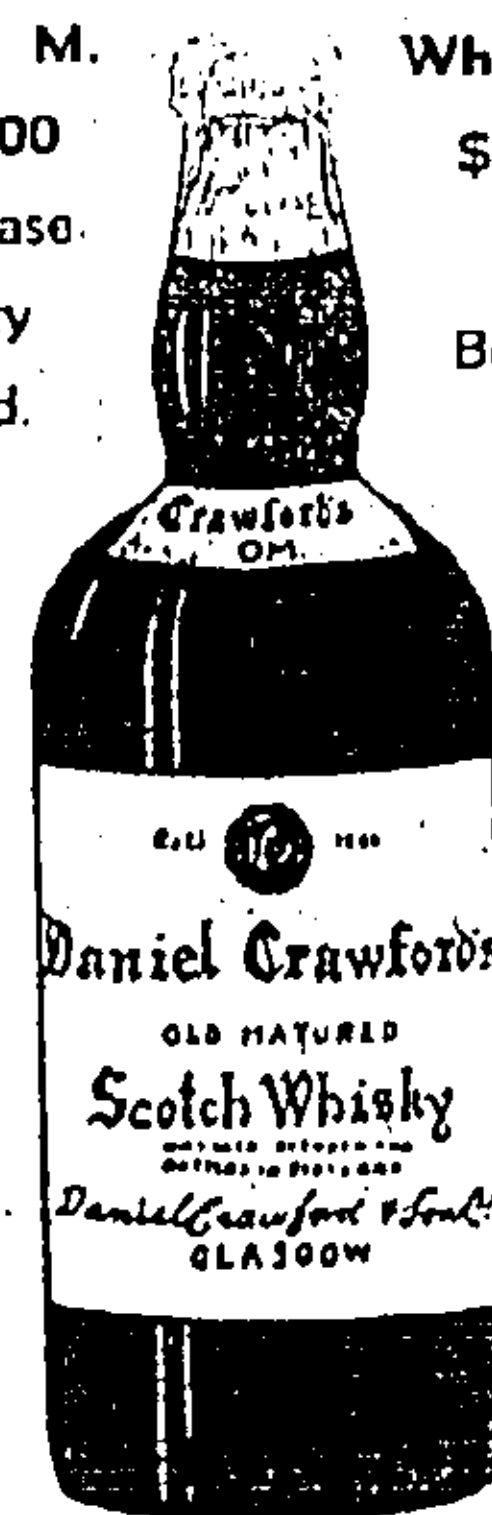
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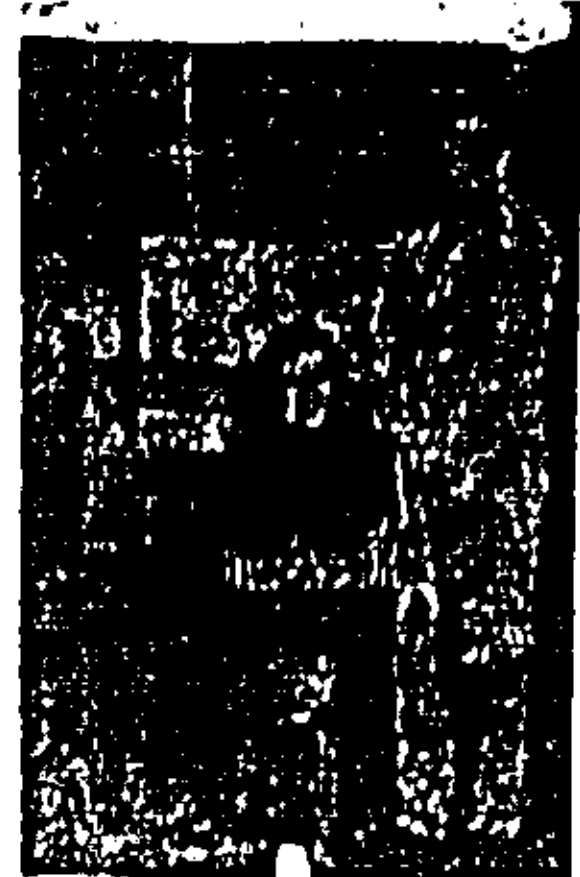
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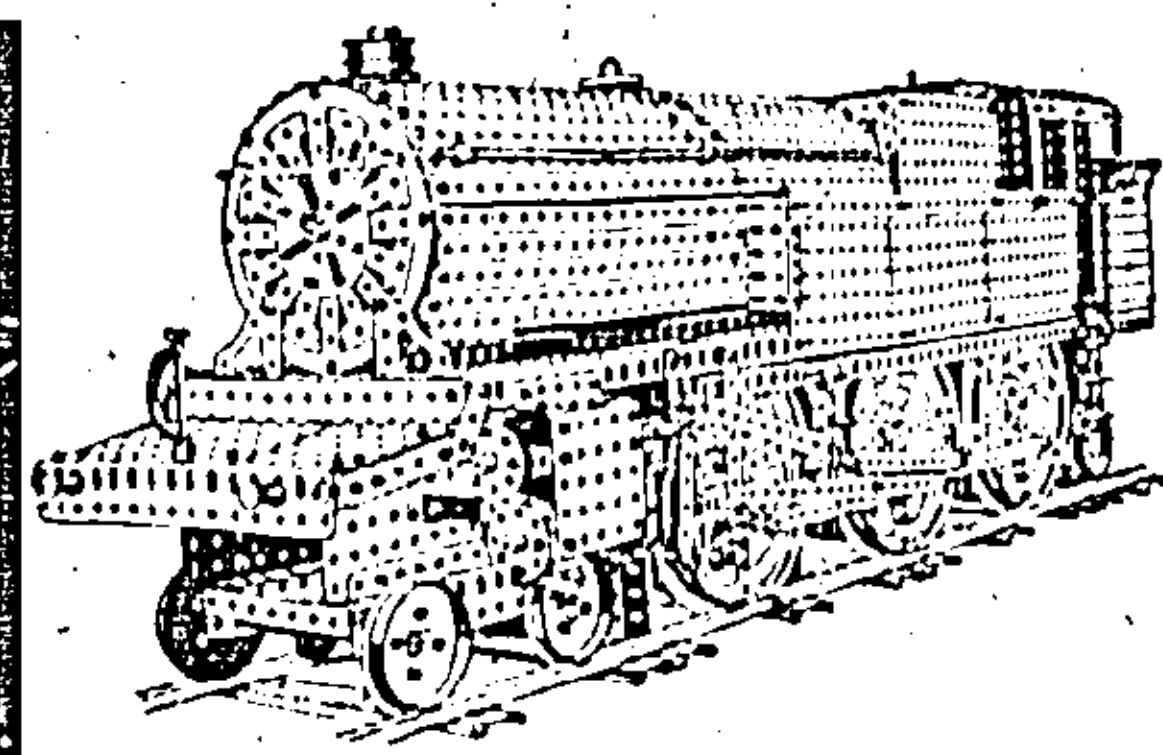
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## CINEMA SCREENINGS

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES

The numberless admirers of the work and personality of young Douglas Fairbanks will be glad to hear that he has been raised to stardom and that his initial starring vehicle, "Chances," a First National war romance, brings him to the Queen's Theatre to-day. "Chances" is an adaptation of the best-selling novel by A. Hamilton Gibbs, a major of artillery in the British Army, during the World War. The emotional romance has to do with the love of two devoted soldier-brothers for the same girl. Though the solution of the problem is found in the terrific height of a night bombardment on the Western Front, most of the sequences are in London or the English countryside. The tragedy of the situation is heightened by the fact that the ill-fated brother who is engaged to the girl, is blind to the fact that she cares for his brother—till near the thrilling climax of the drama. Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. does his most effective work as the young English officer whose dash and bravery is blent with conflicting emotions which make him false to his brother for the sake of a woman. Rose Hobart, famous on the Broadway stage, plays the girl, Anthony Bushell, remembered in "Disraeli," is the brother. Others in the line cast are Holmes Herbert as commanding officer of the brothers, Mary Forbes as their mother, Edmund Breon, Harry Allen, Jennie Fenwick, Edward Morgan and Tyrrel Davis. Screen play and dialogue are by Waldemar Young. "Chances" was directed by Allan Dwan, who has directed many pictures for the elder Fairbanks. "Chances" is the first picture to depict the services done by artillery in time of war. The technical adviser was Capt. J. S. Scott, who served in that branch of the service of the British Army during the World War.

"Disorderly Conduct," now showing at the Oriental Theatre is a fine saga of modern police. "What Price Glory" was to the army, what "Disorderly Conduct," new Fox picture, is to the police forces of today. Sally Eilers, as a politician's daughter who in the cause of all the trouble, adds another bright star to her scintillating array of screen performances. Spencer Tracy, in the leading role of the motorcycle officer who goes wrong after his unmerited disgrace, scores a personal triumph. Ralph Bellamy, who scored recently in "Surrender," here gives an equally convincing performance as an honest police captain. A fine supporting cast, headed by Alton Dinchart, El Brendel, Ralph Morgan, Charles Grapevin, Dick Moore and other notables, and many realistic settings contribute to the picture's excellence.

John Gilbert in "Downstairs." He's played a poet and he's played a bootlegger. He's been seen as a

swashbuckling Westerner, as a romantic French bravo of medieval times, as a newspaper reporter, as a stage magician, as a soldier and as a tramp. These are just a few of the varied roles John Gilbert has played during his remarkable screen career. But audiences will see him for the first time as an engaging villain in "Downstairs," which opens on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre. In the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, based on a story written by Gilbert himself, the star brings to the screen a characterization utterly different from any he has essayed before. The role is that of an unprincipled man who raises havoc in the castle of a baroness by whom he is employed as a chauffeur. He cleverly inveigles himself into the confidence of the aristocracy "upstairs" as well as the servants' staff "downstairs," and becomes in turn blackmailer, wife-stealer and thief. In the end the source receives his just deserts. Virginia Bruce, whose engagement to Gilbert was announced recently, plays opposite the star in "Downstairs" and an important role is also filled by Paul Lukna. The remainder of the cast includes Hedda Hopper, Olga Baclanova, Betti Hosang, Otto Hoffman, Lucien Littlefield and Marion Lessing with Monte Bell directing.

"Dance Team."

A truly great picture, a credit to its stars, its cast, its authors and director, a film of which the entire motion picture industry can justly be proud of is "Dance Team," the Fox photoplay showing to-day at the King's Theatre. Its stars are those incomparable "Bad Girl" favourites, James Dunn and Sally Eilers, its cast includes Minna Gombell also of "Bad Girl" fame, among others, its adaptor and dialogist is Edwin Burken, who was responsible for the sparkling lines of "Bad Girl" and its director is Sidney Lanfield. The performances of Dunn and Miss Eilers are nothing short of superb. And just as sincere and intelligent and human as Dunn and Miss Eilers in their roles are the other members of the cast, particularly Miss Gombell, Harry Beresford, Ralph Morgan and Nora Lane.

"Blonde Venus."

The most alluring colour combinations conceived by Paris and Fifth Avenue fashion experts are used in designing the costumes worn by motion picture actresses during the filming of pictures—this in spite of the fact that under the camera's eye all colours are reduced to variations of black and white. But there's a reason for it, and a good one, according to Josef von Sternberg, Hollywood director, who made Marlene Dietrich's latest starring picture, "Blonde Venus," which comes to the King's Theatre next Sunday. Players do not work in costumes of simple black and white because the monotony of the combination would kill every spark of creative effort, he explains. Miss Dietrich has nearly a score of costumes in "Blonde Venus."

## OIL DISPUTE

PERSIA'S VERSION OF THE BRITISH ATTITUDE

London, Dec. 20.

A report from Geneva states that, following the deposit of the British memorandum regarding a fair and amicable settlement of the Anglo-Persian dispute, the League Council has received a communication from the Persian delegation, speaking of the "intimidating and almost threatening attitude of the British Government towards Persia."

This communication agrees that the matter be laid before the Council, but requests a postponement till certain documents come from Teheran. It points out that the matter is not urgent, as the Persian Government does not intend taking measures against the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, pending an agreement.—Our Own Correspondent.

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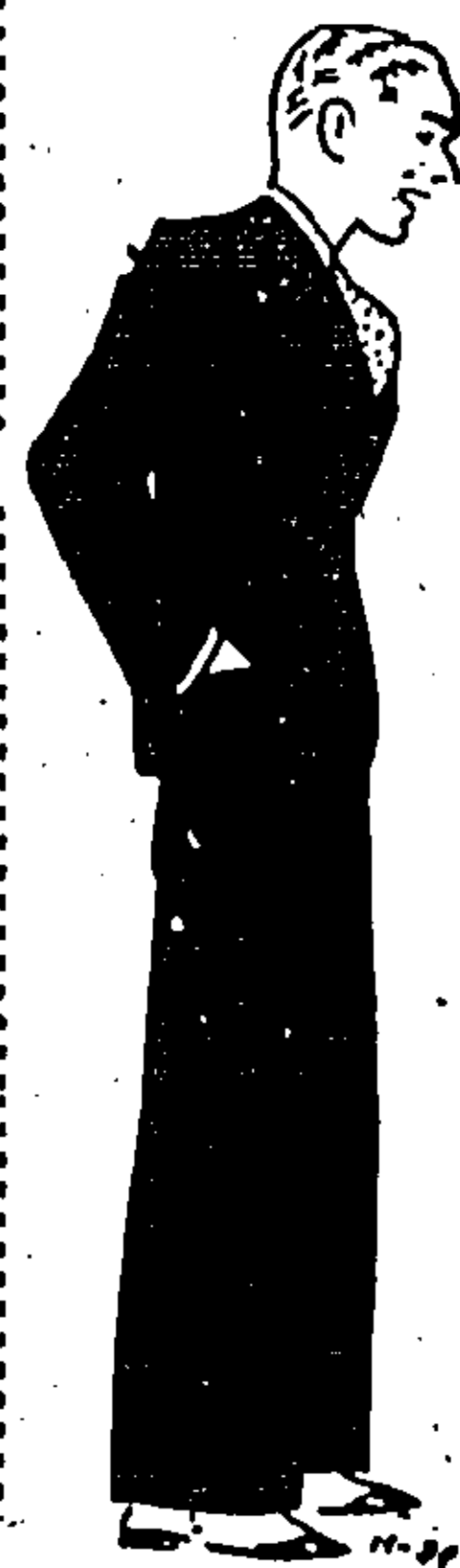
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## HONGKONG HEALTH PROBLEMS.

### INCIDENCE OF MALARIA AND TUBERCULOSIS

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon, with Mr. G. R. Sayer, the President, occupying the chair, the others present being the Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson, Vice-President, Dr. G. W. Pope, M.O.H., Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy, Dr. Li Shu-fan, Mr. C. C. Champkin, Mr. C. H. Buxton, Mr. J. H. Gelling, secretary, and Mr. Ng Mui-kai, assistant secretary.

Questions regarding malaria and its prevention in Hongkong were put by Mr. M. K. Lo, and the chairman replied in detail.

Mr. Lo first asked: "With reference to my questions on the 9th December, 1930, the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies of the same day, my further questions on the 8th December, 1931, and the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies of the same day, regarding Malaria and its prevention in Hongkong:

(i) Will the Head of the Sanitary Department be kind enough to ascertain from the Government, and inform this Board, whether the "comprehensive survey of the Colony" by the Malariaologist has now been completed and when it will be published or made available for information of this Board?

Survey Not Complete.

Mr. Sayer replied: The survey is not yet complete, and in consequence the Malariaologist has not yet presented a complete report. Sufficient has been done, however, to justify, in the view of the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, the following conclusions "inter alia:

(a) the most dangerous carrier in the Colony is Anopheles Minimus.  
(b) an important carrier is Anopheles jeyporiensis.  
(c) there is a decided seasonal influence.

Anti-Malarial Work.

Mr. Lo put the following further question:

(i) In regard to the following quotation which formed part of the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies to my questions on the 9th December, 1931, namely—"A sum of \$150,000 has been included for Anti-malarial works in the Estimates for 1932 and the Government is in consultation with the owners of property affected in certain of the areas with a view to commencing work early next year"; can the Head of the Sanitary Department give any information to this Board as to whether, and if so, what, Anti-malarial work has been effected during 1932?

Mr. Sayer.—I am informed by the Director of Public Works that:

(a) despite delay during the rainy season good progress has been made in the Quarry Bay district.  
(b) the training of two nullahs at Stanley Peninsula near Rural Building Lots 240, 242, 244 is nearing completion.  
(c) satisfactory progress has been made on the training of the large stream course at the South-west corner of Sookunpoo Valley.  
(d) work at Lyceum was put in hand in November.

Deaths From Malaria.

Mr. Lo further asked: (ii) Will the Head of the Sanitary Department be kind enough to tabulate for the information of this Board the number of deaths attributable to malaria reported as occurring in the Colony in 1929, 1930, 1931 and up to the end of November, 1932?

Mr. Sayer.—In 1929, 420, in 1930, 615, in 1931, 452, and in 1932, to 30th November, 446.

### "Poor Law" Infirmary.

Mr. Lo then asked: "With reference to the Motion which was passed by the Sanitary Board on the 18th February, 1930, in regard to the prevalence of Tuberculosis in the Colony, and which urged the Government, inter alia "to consider the feasibility of providing some form of 'Poor Law' infirmary for the care of chronic cases," to the questions which I addressed on the 22nd July, 1930, including, inter alia—" (c) In particular whether any decision has been come to in regard to the feasibility of providing some form of 'Poor Law' infirmary for the care of Chinese cases," and to the reply on the same date in the following terms—"As regards the provisions of a 'Poor Law' infirmary for the tuberculous, the Government, though sympathetic, considers that priority must be given to the erection of a new Government Civil Hospital, the extension of the Kowloon Hospital, and the construction of a properly designed Infectious Diseases Hospital." Will the Head of the Sanitary Department state whether or not the question of providing 'Poor Law' infirmaries for the treatment of tubercular cases, which was recommended by the Honourable the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services himself at the meeting of the Sanitary Board held on the 18th February, 1930, is still under consideration by the Government and, in view of the fact that provisions have apparently now been made for the construction of a new Government Civil Hospital and for the extension of the Kowloon Hospital, whether any definite announcement can be made as to how soon such infirmaries can be provided?

Government Attitude.  
Mr. Sayer.—The Government is fully alive to the need for an infirmary and the matter will be further considered when the finances of the Colony permit.

The Death Rate.  
Mr. Lo.—Will the Head of the Sanitary Department state the total number of deaths reported as having been due to pulmonary tuberculosis in the Colony for the years 1930, 1931 and up to the end of November 1932, as compared with the total deaths due to all other notifiable diseases occurring in the same period?

Mr. Sayer, in reply, gave the following figures:

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## "WEEK-END MURDER"

(Continued from Page 3.)

sentimental tenderness of his race. "I'm sorry for that kick—I am that!"

"Tom glared at him. He knew the little dog had not deserved such rough treatment and now especially he could not forgive it."

"You—you couldn't help it," Linda tried to palliate the sin. "She did move quickly for an old dog, sometimes, and you must have been surprised."

"We both were!" Shaughnessy laughed with the hearty abandon of the easily amused and then checked himself at his host's glance of disapproval.

"I'll be back in a moment," said Linda suddenly, and fled upstairs. The men watched her, ill at ease. Then, abruptly deciding that the rest could wait, they turned to the rest of the evening. A while without him, Averill excused himself and followed her. Halfway up the stairs he met the Belgian, coming down, and returned his salute greeting with curt brevity. Then, repenting, he stopped and turned.

"Excuse me, De Vos. We're a bit upset this morning. No, nothing serious. Be down shortly. You'll find the others in the sunroom."

Averill did not find Linda enjoying the relaxation of "a good cry" as he expected. Instead she was sitting on the edge of the bed, very calm and poised but facing the door as though waiting for him. When he did come she spoke in a tone of concentrated fury.

"Tom—you're dead sure it wasn't an accident?"

"Couldn't have been, honey. The poor old dog was—well, just smashed!"

"Well, then—do you realize that whoever did it is right in this house now?"

"Linda!" He was shocked into a seriousness he seldom betrayed. "What on earth? Why?"

"Reason enough. I told you last night that every man of the lot has a terrible temper—the sort that would break out into goodness-knows-what. Buntly did behave badly—I can't think why. Several of them had trouble with her and others might have. Mr. Shaughnessy admits he kicked her."

"I think that rules him out," Tom was so satisfactory. No matter how unreasonable one's notions, he always gave them fair consideration. "He wouldn't own up to it so quickly. Besides, he may be hot-tempered and impetuous, but that—"

Linda's lips set more firmly. "He's strong as an ox. And if he were annoyed—look how furious he got at Cousin Amos last night. He was just white with rage. I could see his hands shake! I wouldn't have been surprised if he'd strangled him! But then, every one of them could have done it!"

"Linda, darling, don't say that! Probably it was that burglar gang."

"In the first place, burglars poison dogs and get rid of them quietly. They don't bother to mess them up the way you describe. That takes sudden temper. And then, if it were burglars, why didn't they go ahead and burgle when the dog was out of the way?"

"May have been afraid the fuss

## SCHOOL CONCERT AT QUARRY BAY.

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The following is the prize list:—Class Seven—Phyllis Oliver, 1; Rhodie Stalker, 2. Class Eight—Helen McCormack, 1; Fleming Kinnaird, 2. Class Nine—Pauline Strange; special prize, Dorothy Woodward.

The concert comprised carol singing by the boys of class seven and the whole school, three items by the "Percussion" band, and several dainty dances by the tiny tots.

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At the conclusion of the concert, Mr. A. R. Sutherland congratulated the children and their teachers on the fine concert.

was overheard."

"Was the place locked up?"

"Oh, sure. But of course with so many windows—"

"Can't you look on them for scratches or something?"

"Yes, and I can ask all the people here to try to remember whether they heard any noises or disturbances last night."

"Of course, probably every one—except the one who did it—went right off to sleep. I know I did."

"So did I. But Linda—"

"What?"

"Shaughnessy didn't go over to the garage by himself. I walked along the roadway with him and stood right at the edge of the grass until he went in the door. I didn't see Buntly then."

"They looked at each other."

"He must have come out afterwards. And he must have thought someone heard him or he wouldn't have taken pains to mention the kick. He really sort of dragged that in, Tom."

"Probably he wasn't sleepy, and just wanted to roam about."

"Um!" There was a wealth of incredulity in the grim syllable.

"Well, what ought we to do?"

"Nothing my dear. Absolutely nothing! What can we do—interrogate him or any of the others?"

"N-no, I suppose not. But, oh, Tommy, this gang is queer. There's something in the air—I told you

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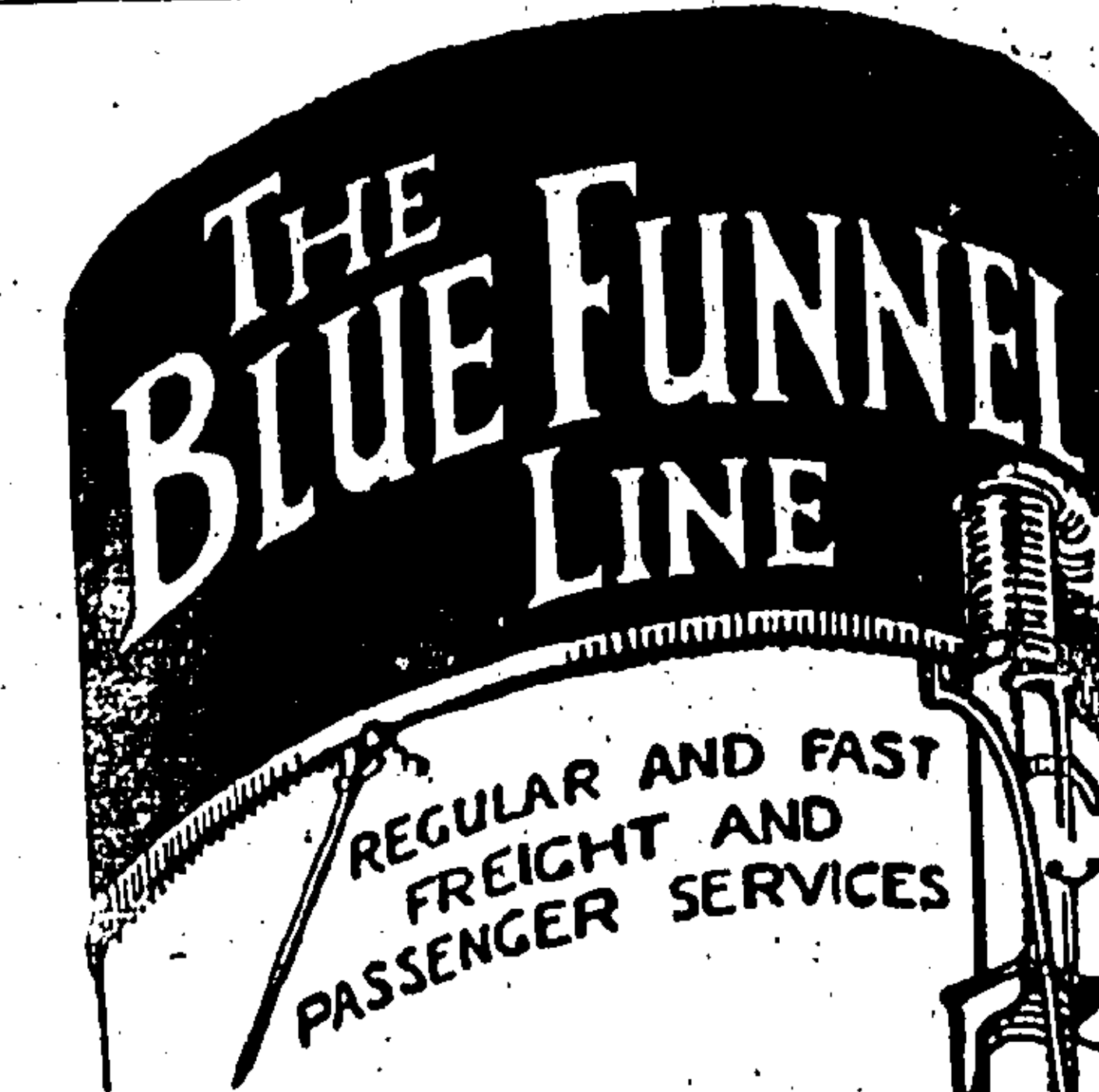
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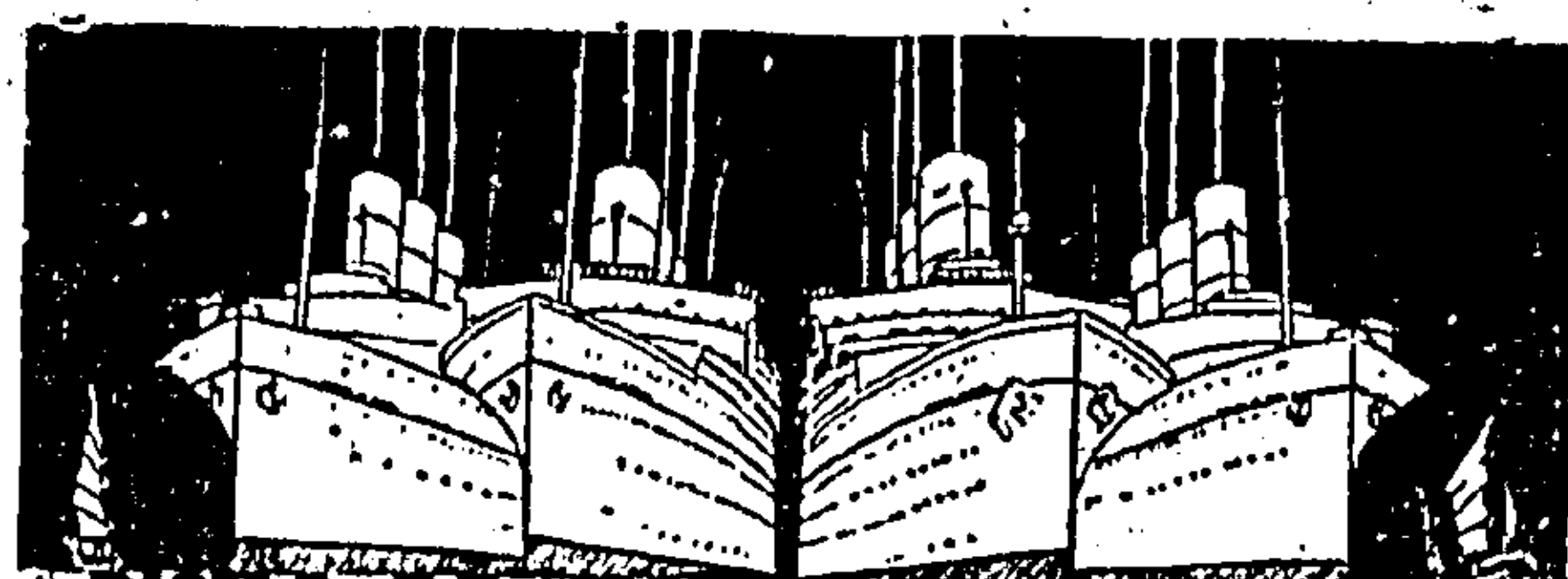
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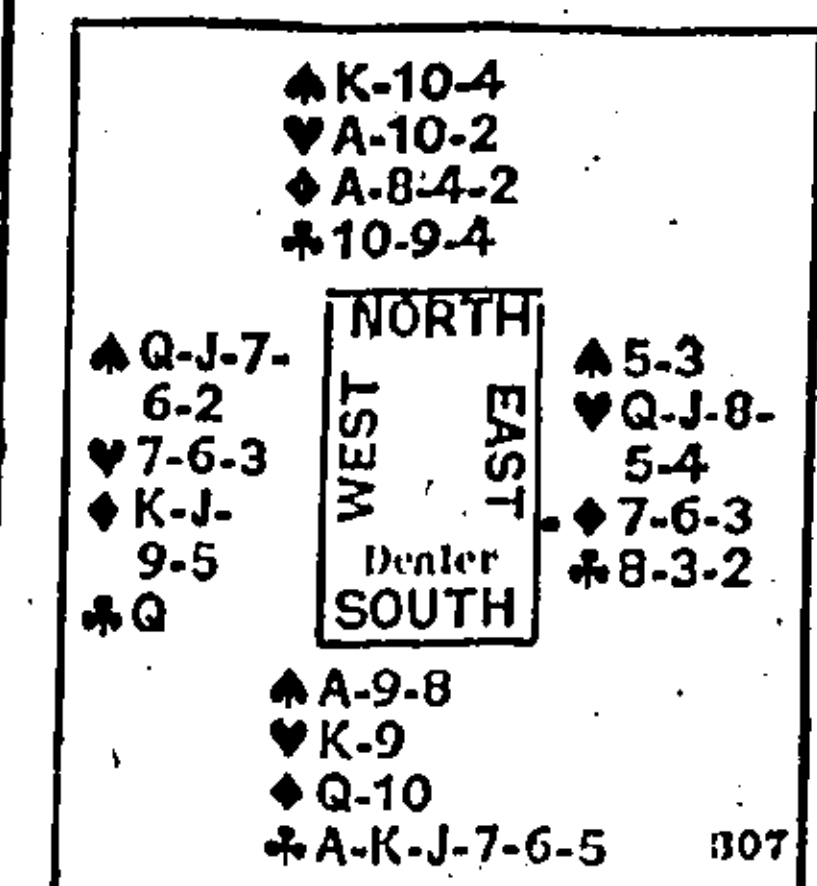
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called with one spade. Some  
players will justify this overcall,  
but without a sure quick trick in  
the hand, it is a better pass.  
After the South bid, North went to  
two No Trump, East passed. South  
bid three clubs and North went to  
three No Trump.

## The Play.

The opening lead by East was  
the five of spades—the top of his  
partner's suit. Dummy played  
the eight. West the jack and  
North, the dummy, won the trick  
with the king. He then played  
the ten of clubs, but refused to  
take the finesse, going up with the  
king and catching West's queen.  
Holding ace, king, jack, the finesse  
should not be taken on the first  
round, and with nine clubs in  
sight, no finesse should be taken.

A small club was returned from  
dummy. West discarding the  
three of hearts, the declarer win-  
ning the trick with the nine of  
clubs. The four of clubs was  
then led to dummy's ace. West  
discarding another heart. The  
three good clubs were led from  
dummy. West dropping a heart, a  
diamond and a spade, the declarer  
discarding two diamonds and a  
heart. East played the eight and  
four of hearts and then the  
three of diamonds. The nine of  
hearts was led from dummy. West  
discarding the nine of diamonds,  
declarer winning the trick with  
the ace. The ten of hearts was  
then played by declarer and won  
in the dummy with the king.  
West was forced to discard the  
six of spades in order to protect  
his diamonds.

Due to West's overcall of one  
spade, he is practically marked  
with the king of diamonds. This  
information now allows the de-  
clarer to make a nice position  
play. He leads the ace of spades  
from dummy and then the nine  
of spades which West is forced to  
win with the queen. If he now  
leads the jack of diamonds, de-  
clarer will allow it to ride to the  
dummy's queen and in this man-  
ner get the last two tricks which  
will give him six odd at No Trump.  
As only three were bid, no slam  
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must be presented to the Under-  
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To comply with the General Bonded  
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must have a Revenue Officer in  
attendance when damaged dutiable  
goods are examined.

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where they will be examined on the  
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## CORRESPONDENCE.

How the Money Goes

[To the Editor, Hongkong  
Telegraph.]

Sir,—In those comments oc-  
casioned by the recently published  
report of the S.P.C., made upon  
Hongkong poverty, I did not  
notice, among the factors men-  
tioned as being responsible for the  
shocking state of affairs disclosed  
therein, two which, in my opinion,  
are of the very greatest impor-  
tance. I refer to the practice  
of contract sub-letting and of  
"squeeze."

The squeeze and cumshaw evils,  
practised by contractors so gener-  
ously in more prosperous times,  
but now more cautiously re-  
stricted, in their application to  
the really influential must very  
seriously reduce wages, particu-  
larly in the case of those con-  
tractors whose speciality is the  
supply of "contract labour" only.  
Squeeze and cumshaw money  
obtained from contractors, I hold  
to be, in a very real sense, "blood  
money"—flesh and blood money.  
Similarly, sub-letting, especial-  
ly the sub-sub-sub-letting that  
takes place in Hongkong, must,  
to a great extent, deprive the  
wage earner of his proper share  
of the money apportioned to the  
job in hand.

It seems to me that energy ex-  
pended in an effort towards the  
abolition of evils such as those  
here mentioned would be thus  
much more commendably and use-  
fully employed than in, say, the  
harassing of hapless, helpless,  
homeless hawkers, and suchlike  
trivialities that occupy so much  
of the valuable time of some of  
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30th December, 1932, or they will not  
be recognized.  
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the Godowns for examination by the  
consignees, and the Company's Sur-  
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have a Revenue Officer in attendance  
when damaged dutiable goods are  
examined by the Company's Sur-  
veyor.

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the goods have left the Godowns.  
No Fire Insurance will be effected  
by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 21st December 1932.

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are landed.

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ject to rent.

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NALDERA	16,000	13th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yok
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CORFU	15,000	17th Feb.	S'hai, Kobe & Yok
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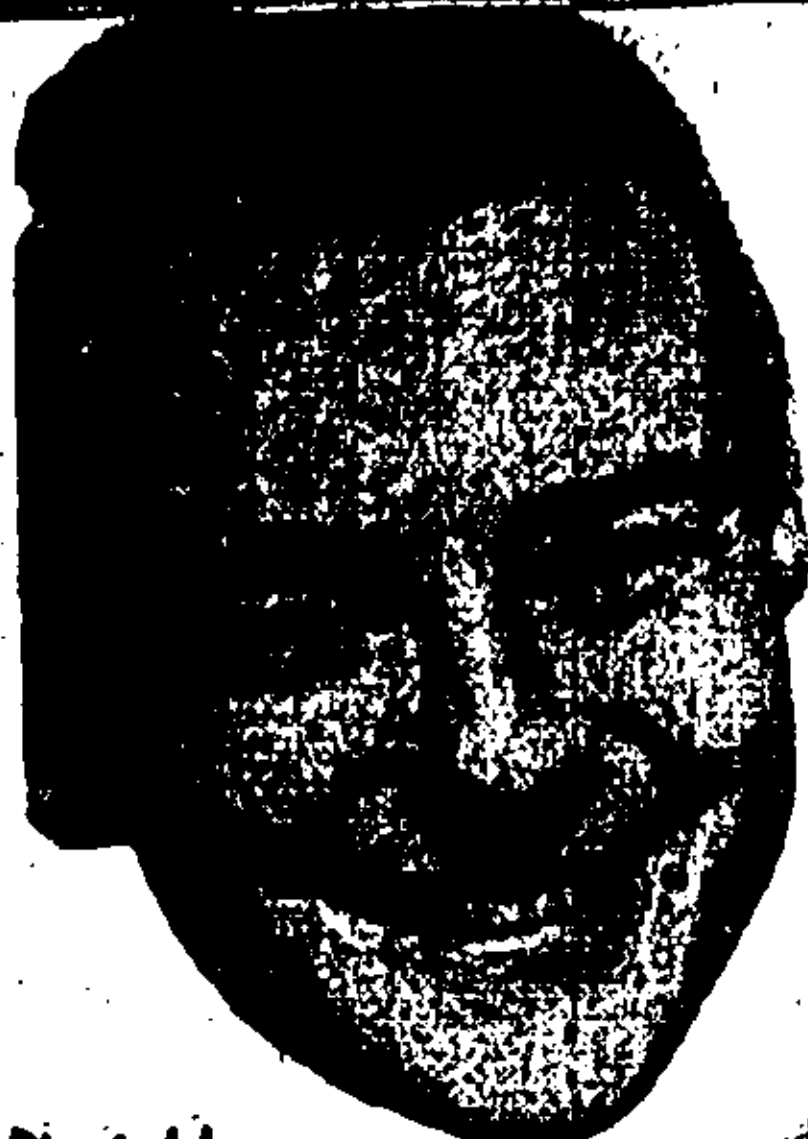
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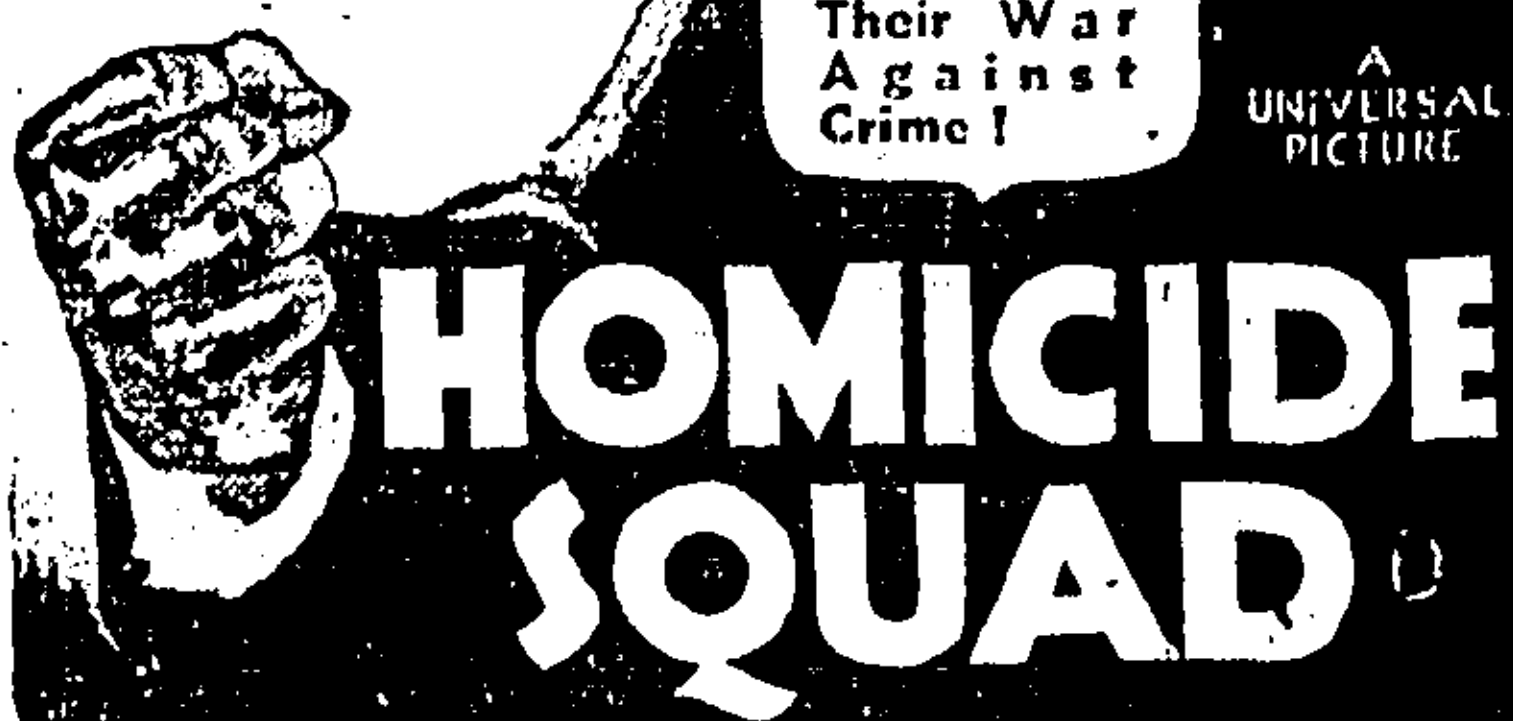
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### MONARCHICAL PLOT UNEARTHED.

TWO MEN AND WOMAN  
HELD IN SHANTUNG

Shanghai, Dec. 20.  
According to a Chinese message  
from Tsinan, General Han Fu-  
chu, Governor of Shantung, per-  
sonally interrogated three men, one  
a woman, who were recently arrest-  
ed in connexion with an alleged  
monarchical restoration plot in

Shantung. The accused were Li  
Lai-chuan, Fu Pao-chi, who style  
themselves "The Heavenly and  
Earthly Emperors of the later  
Ching Dynasty. The woman is  
named Sung.

An interesting feature of the  
trial was an exhibition of dragon  
robes, sceptres and other articles  
usually associated with monarchical  
order, seized by the Police when  
they raided the houses of the pri-  
soners. Owing to the novel nature  
of the case, the trial attracted  
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phrey, L.R.A.M., Bandmaster of  
H.M.S. Kent they gave an en-  
joyable concert. The programme  
contained many popular numbers,  
which were delightfully rendered,  
and it must have been a disap-  
pointment to the organisers that  
the attendance was not larger.

Amongst those present were  
Admiral Sir Howard Kelly, Com-  
mander-in-Chief of the China  
Fleet and Miss Kelly, Capt. W. G.  
McKenzie, H.M.S. Hermes, Capt.  
T. B. Drew, H.M.S. Kent, Com-  
mander Pecker, H.M.S. Kent, and  
Commodore G. Layton, Chief of  
Staff to the Admiral.

The orchestra comprised 50 in-  
struments. The opening number  
was the overture "Guillaume  
Tell" which was by far the best  
piece played and in which the  
violins had ample scope. The  
piece is by Rossini, whose ambi-  
tion to write opera later became  
a reality, and it is by the over-  
tures to these opera that the  
concert enthusiasts knows him  
best.

The second item was Coleridge  
Taylor's "Petite Suite de Concert"  
and the rendering was delightful.  
This was followed by Liszt's  
"Liebestraume", and the conclud-  
ing number was Mozart's symphony  
"No 40 in G. Minor". Here one  
gets the allegro, adagio, minuet and  
trio and allegro assai movements,  
and it is interesting to hear how  
the themes announced at the begin-  
ning of each movement are so  
skillfully woven into each group of  
instruments by turn, and elaborat-  
ed upon. The element of sadness  
and regretfulness were excellently  
produced by the orchestra.

The second half of the pro-  
gramme opened with selections  
from Sullivan's "The Gondoliers",

### SHOWA MARU HOLED.

STRIKES ROCKS OUTSIDE  
Kobe Harbour

Shanghai, Dec. 20.  
While on her way to Shanghai  
from Kobe, the Osaka Showa  
Kaisha's freight steamer Showa  
Maru struck a rock near  
Kobe last night. The ship was  
badly holed and rescue vessels  
which had rushed to the scene, had  
to take off the crew.

Salvage vessels are trying to pre-  
vent the ship from becoming a total  
loss.—Reuter.

and the interpretation by the in-  
strumentalists of this number was  
highly appreciated.

The concert waltz, "Casino  
Dances", by Gungl was next and  
the charming melody and marked  
rhythm were brought out to per-  
fection.

The concluding piece was the  
military march "Pomp and Cir-  
cumstance" by Elgar, which has as  
its Trio the broadly swinging  
melody subsequently known as  
"Land of Hope and Glory" which  
is an example of Elgar's love of  
Country and fine sense of  
patriotism.

To-night another concert will be  
given at the Lee Theatre and the  
items will be: Symphony No. 8 in B  
Minor (Schubert), excerpts from  
the ever-popular suite to "Peer  
Gynt" of Grieg, Rhapsody No. 1 in  
F (Liszt), and three Serenades for  
strings by Elgar; and after the  
interval will come a selection from  
Wagner's "The Flying Dutchman,"  
Mendelssohn's "Spring Song," and  
"Bouting Song," a selection from  
"The Beggar's Opera," and a nauti-  
cal sketch "A Life on the Ocean."

The proceeds are being devoted  
to the building fund of the New  
Royal Naval Canteen at Wanchai.  
The admission charges are \$3 and  
\$2 for reserved seats and 50 cents  
for unreserved, the programmes  
being sold for 20 cents. Booking  
may be made at Moutrie's.

### COMPANY REPORT.

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING  
& MINING COMPANY

The annual general meeting of the  
shareholders of the Chinese Engi-  
neering and Mining Co., Ltd. was to be  
held in London on the 20th December,  
1932, when the Directors' Report and  
Statement of Accounts for the year  
ended 30th June, 1932, was to be  
submitted.

The following is an extract from  
the Directors' report:

The net result of the year's trans-  
actions shows a balance to the credit  
of Profit and Loss Account of  
£110,836 made up as follows:

Proportion of Kailan	£
Mining Administration	250,032
Interest in China	21,562
Interest in Europe	6,000
Agency Fees	110
Sundries	
Balance brought for- ward (Less Sundry Items)	1,202
	£284,890

Deduct:	
Expenses in Europe	14,209
Cost of Administration	
Interest Coupons for	
Bearer Shares	4,582
Directors' Fees	6,005
Exchange	18,609
Income Tax	71,795
Interim Dividend paid	45,32
	165,000

Leaving a net balance of ... £119,836

which the Directors recom-  
mend should be appropriated  
as follows:

Final Dividend of	£
5% (free of In- come Tax)	98,000
Balance Carried Forward	21,836
	£119,836

Nanking, Dec. 20.  
It is reported that negotiations  
will be initiated shortly for the con-  
clusion of a Sino-Soviet commercial  
Treaty.—Reuter.

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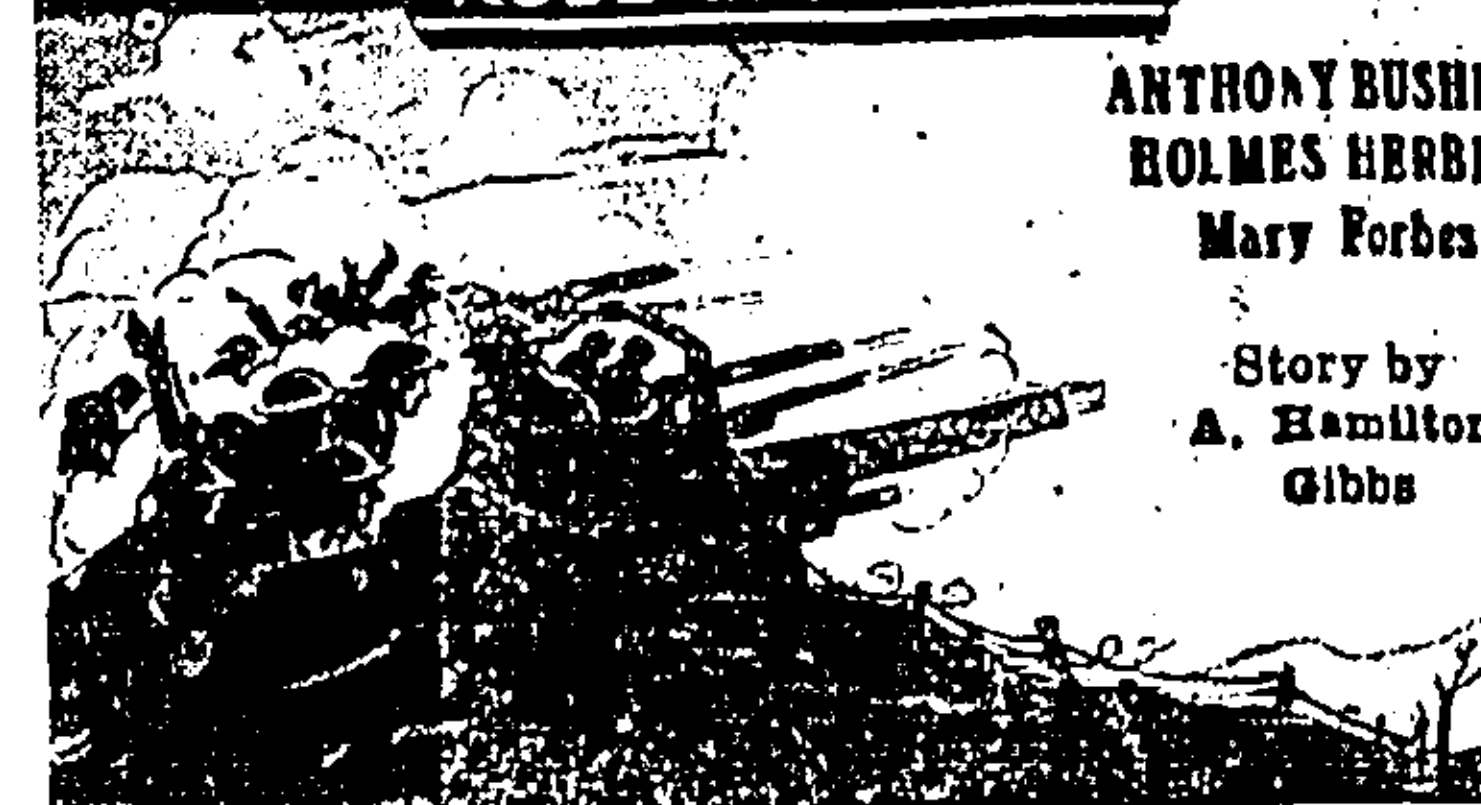
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London, Dec. 20.  
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mingham on February 20 will  
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of Olympia and the White City  
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000 square feet compared with  
384,000 square feet at the last  
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at Birmingham, where the heavy  
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sented, has also increased. It is  
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### BOY'S EARS CUT OFF

#### INHUMANITY OF KIDNAPPERS

#### GRIM HARBIN STORY

(Special to "Telegraph")

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Harbin, Dec. 21.

The inhuman cruelty of a Harbin gang of kidnapers, who cut off the ears of a young lad and sent them to his father, is recorded in the Harbin newspapers.

The bandit menace remains as alarming to-day as ever it was, but it is hoped that this incident will induce the authorities to take action.

The outrage was committed after the abductors of the boy had made fruitless attempts to secure a sum of ten thousand dollars for his release.

This amount was hopelessly beyond the means of the father, a man named Wang Tsun-ling, who is employed by the Chinese Eastern Railway as a carpenter.

**FURTHER THREATS.**

He informed the kidnappers of his inability to pay the money, but offered fifty dollars as the most he could possibly get together.

The kidnappers replied by sending him his son's ears and in an accompanying letter they have threatened to commit further outrages on the person of the captive if the full ransom demanded is not forthcoming immediately.

**ARRESTED MAN'S STORY.**

The grim evidence of the callous nature of the kidnappers, the boy's ears, were delivered by a Chinese named Yang Wen-ching, who when arrested, stoutly denied any complicity in the affair.

Describing himself as a fisherman, he said he had been approached by two well-dressed Chinese, who had given him one dollar to deliver the parcel.

He said he did not know who they were and had no knowledge whatsoever of the contents of the parcel. The police are inclined to believe his story, but investigations are being continued.—*Reuter.*

### HOODED ROBBERS IN RAID

#### MONEY & JEWELS STOLEN

Hooded robbers made a raid on the premises of a line kiln on Tsing I Island this morning, at three o'clock and after binding a woman and her daughter got away with \$20 in money as well as a quantity of jewellery.

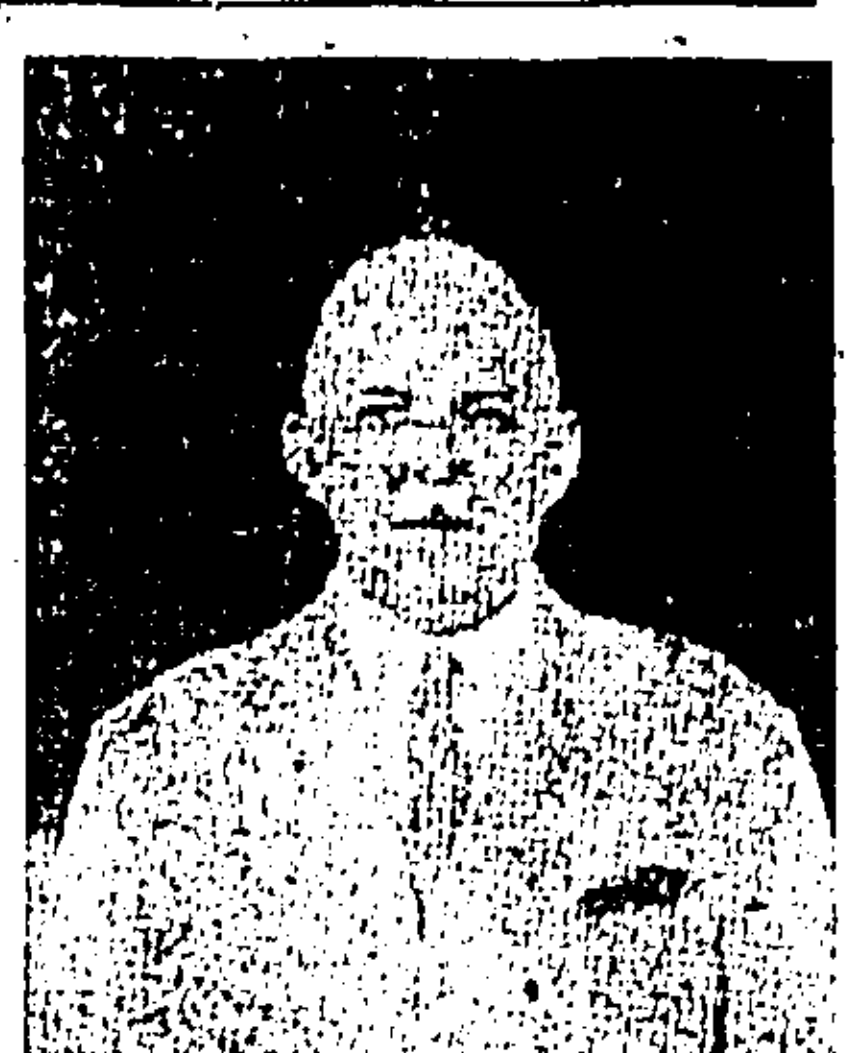
The men entered the premises during the absence of the husband of the elder woman, by removing the tiles from the roof. They then bound the woman and covered them over with a quilt, remaining on the premises until daylight. They then made their escape without interference. Neither of the women was injured.

### KENYA'S NEW GOLDFIELD

#### NATIVE INTERESTS SAFEGUARDED

London, Dec. 20.

In answer to a question in the House of Commons, the Colonial Secretary, Sir Philip Cunliffe Liston, gave an assurance that the bill introduced into the Legislative Council of Kenya regarding mineral rights in the newly-discovered Kenya goldfield provided ample safeguards for the interests of the native population of the area.—*British Wireless.*



Sir Samuel Wilson, Permanent Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, who leaves Hongkong to-day after a brief visit in which he has discussed many problems with the Government.

### CONFLICT OF DUMPERS

#### SINO-RUSSIAN TRADE CLASH

Shanghai, Dec. 20.

The stage appears to be all set for a bitter struggle for a strong footing on the Chinese market between Japanese and Russian goods.

Customs latest record indicates a sudden rise in Japanese imports, while in commercial circles further clash of the prevailing low prices by the Japanese importers is being effected.

On the part of Russians the commercial attaches of the Soviet consulate at Tientsin, Peiping, Nanking and Shanghai are reported to be taking active preparations for the immediate dumping of an enormous quantity of Soviet products in all the four principal cities and Yangtze towns. It is learned that the Soviet mercantile fleet will resume service on Chinese waters immediately and storage facilities in Shanghai and Tientsin are being arranged. The principal Russian goods will be kerosene oil, metals, clothes, paper and sundry goods.

A Tientsin report states that a number of Russian merchants have already placed large orders for Russian oil. Soviet commercial organizations there are being re-opened, while Soviet citizens are coming back from Dalren in great numbers. House rent in the former Russian Concession there is reported to be rising.

### BID FOR BUSINESS OF CHINA

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The stage appears to be all set for a bitter struggle for a strong footing on the Chinese market between Japanese and Russian goods.

Customs latest record indicates a sudden rise in Japanese imports, while in commercial circles further clash of the prevailing low prices by the Japanese importers is being effected.

On the part of Russians the commercial attaches of the Soviet consulate at Tientsin, Peiping, Nanking and Shanghai are reported to be taking active preparations for the immediate dumping of an enormous quantity of Soviet products in all the four principal cities and Yangtze towns. It is learned that the Soviet mercantile fleet will resume service on Chinese waters immediately and storage facilities in Shanghai and Tientsin are being arranged. The principal Russian goods will be kerosene oil, metals, clothes, paper and sundry goods.

A Tientsin report states that a number of Russian merchants have already placed large orders for Russian oil. Soviet commercial organizations there are being re-opened, while Soviet citizens are coming back from Dalren in great numbers. House rent in the former Russian Concession there is reported to be rising.

### ANGLO-PERSIAN DISPUTE

#### PERSIA MAKES PLEA OF INNOCENCE

London, Dec. 20.

In reply to a telegram from the President of the League Council, requesting that no step should be taken which might affect the status quo and thus aggravate the dispute with Britain regarding the Anglo-Persian Oil Concession, the Persian Government gives an assurance that it will "continue to abstain from any act calculated to aggravate or extend the alleged dispute."

The Persian Government also expresses the belief that the cancellation of the Company's concession is not calculated to provoke a conflict between the two Governments seeing that it has from the outset expressed a desire to arrive at an equitable agreement with the Company.—*British Wireless.*

The wedding will shortly take place between Mr. George William Ewart True, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, and Miss Constance Marie Halsall, 358, The Peak; Mr. James Evans, engineer, of 75, Leen Keen Terrace, Causeway Bay, and Miss Alice Chai, 9 Ying Wah Terrace; and Mr. David Boyle, engineer, China Navigation Co., and Miss Vera Eleanor Roberts, en route to the Colony per a.s. Comorin.

## Problem Discussed with Colonial Office Visitor

### RESULT NOT REVEALED

#### SIR SAMUEL WILSON DEPARTS

#### MUCH IMPRESSED

Japanese dumping, civil aviation and harbour dredging were among the many subjects discussed between Sir Samuel Wilson and H. E. the Governor, Sir William Peel, during the Hongkong visit of the Permanent Under-Secretary to the Colonial Office.

Little has been officially disclosed regarding the trend of the discussions, but it is learned that Sir Samuel was sympathetic towards Hongkong's viewpoint in the matter of flying development and it is hoped that the talk will have a useful effect.

**KAI TACK SCHEME.**

The question of fitting in local aviation plans with the Air Ministry's requirements and the inclusion of the local Flying Club and local companies in the Kai Tack scheme were among the issues debated.

Sir Samuel Wilson sailed for Ceylon this morning aboard the Sarpadon, accompanied by Lady Wilson.

### BIG CHINESE BANQUET

#### TO SIR SAMUEL AND LADY WILSON

Sir Samuel Wilson and Lady Wilson were the guests of honour at a brilliant Chinese dinner party given by the four Chinese members of the Hongkong Executive and Legislative Councils last night at the Chinese Merchants Club.

Among those present were the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern and Mrs. Southern, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax and Mrs. Hallifax, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. King, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Tatman and many other prominent officials and their wives.

The hosts were Sir Shou-sun Chow, and Lady Chow, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Tso, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau and the honouree guests were introduced by Sir Shou-sun Chow to the leading representatives on the Sanitary Board, the Pb Leung Kuk, Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital. Sir Shou-sun Chow proposed the toast of His Majesty the King, and Sir Samuel Wilson also spoke.

### BRITISH STOCKS STRONGER

#### STERLING'S UPWARD TREND

London, Dec. 20.

Following the rise in the sterling dollar rate, the strength of British funds was again the principal feature of to-day's Stock Exchange.

At the close there were general gains of from a quarter to one and a half points, with War Loan 8 1/2% at 98 1/2, showing an improvement of 16/16 on the day.—*British Wireless.*

### ANOTHER RECORD FOR M.G.

#### 1,700 MILES IN 24 HOURS

London, Dec. 20.

A new motoring record for 24 hours in the 760 c.c. class was set up by a British car on the Montlhery track in Paris to-day.

Messrs. Eyston, Denley and Wladom, taking three-hour turns at the wheel of a little seven h.p. M.G. car of standard pattern, covered, between yesterday afternoon and this afternoon, 2,727 kilometres approximately 1,704 miles. The previous record stood 2,634 kilometres, approximately 1,634 miles.—*British Wireless.*

### CLOUDY WEATHER

The anticyclone is centred to the North of the Lower Yangtze Valley, and the depression is situated to the north-east of Kankaido. Both are moving north-eastward. Fresh monsoon will prevail along

### IRISH LOAN FROM AMERICA

#### DECISION TO REPAY CONFIRMED

Dublin, Dec. 21.

An official statement confirms the reported intention of the Irish Free State Government to repay the balance due to the United States in respect of the £1,500,000 floated in the United States in 1918 and 1920.—*Reuter.*

### GERMANY TO-DAY.

#### SEVERITY RELAXED

#### NEW HINDENBURG DECREE

#### POLITICAL COURTS ABOLISHED

Berlin, Dec. 20.

General von Schleicher's promise to mitigate the severity of the regime established by his predecessor, Captain von Papen, is now being carried out.

A new decree issued over the signature of President Hindenburg to-day provides for the abolition of the special courts established by the von Papen Government for dealing with political offenders and abolishes the decrees compelling all newspapers to print official statements.

The decree maintains the law for the protection of the Republic, providing special penalties for attempts upon the head of the State, for insults to the flag or to the Army and Navy.

It is significant that the clause prohibiting the ex-Kaiser's return to Germany has been dropped.—*Reuter.*

### BRIGHTER HOPES FOR RUBBER

#### GOODRICH COMPANY PROFITS

London, Dec. 21.

At the annual meeting of the Goodrich Rubber Company, Sir Walrod Sinclair, the chairman, indicated that the Directors were considering an extension of the business, either by building upon land adjacent to the Company's main factories or by equity of control of some concern of suitable productive capacity already in existence.

The profit shown by the Company exceeds that of last year by over twenty per cent, and a dividend of five per cent. was declared.—*Reuter.*

### ATTACK ON EVEREST

#### CAMBRIDGE ROWING BLUE JOINS

#### PARTY COMPLETE

London, Dec. 20.

Mr. A. A. Brocklebank, who has accepted an invitation to become a member of the Mount Everest Expedition, is the well-known Cambridge rowing Blue.

Brocklebank three times stroked the Light Blues to victory in the Boat Race.

The other new member of the Expedition, Mr. L. R. Wager, is also a Cambridge man. He was a member of the British Arctic Air Route Expedition, 1930-31, led by the late Mr. Watkins.

The personnel of the Everest Expedition is thus completed and the party is leaving England early in the New Year to make an attack on the world's highest peak.

The Expedition has been formed by a joint committee of the Royal Geographical Society and the Alpine Club. Its leader is Mr. Hugh Rutledge, late of the Indian Civil Service, and it includes Mr. F. S. Smyth, who led the expedition which successfully scaled Mount Kamet, the highest peak so far climbed by man.—*British Wireless.*

### SEASON TICKET THICK

Cheong Chai, charged before Mr. Schofield at the Central Court to-day, with using her husband's monthly tram-ticket, was fined the maximum amount of \$10.

Mr. A. Giffard, of the Tramway Company, said the case was discovered through the conductor insisting on being shown the ticket, and having found that the name on the card was that of a man.

the coast and over the Northern China Sea. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy.



An impression of the task facing the new Everest Expedition may be gathered from this striking picture showing one of the Himalayan peaks. The embodiment of inaccessibility is an apt description.

### THE NAVAL PROBLEM

#### LITTLE PROGRESS APPARENT

London, Dec. 20.

Little progress appears to have been made towards an agreement for naval disarmament.

Questioned in the House of Commons regarding this matter, Captain Eden, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, referred to the resolution of the Disarmament Conference last July, which invited the Powers parties to the Washington and London Naval Treaties to confer, and stated that conversations had accordingly been taking place and efforts had recently been made by the British and American delegations to discover a solution of the outstanding difficulties.

He added that the conversations would continue but there was no question at present of holding a meeting of these Powers.

He also stated that no decision had yet been taken as to the holding of another meeting of the five Powers who recently conferred at Geneva on the work of the Disarmament Conference.—*British Wireless.*

### DOLLAR TWICE DECLINES

#### LOCAL MARKET EASY

The Hongkong dollar opened at 1s. 3 1/4d. this morning, a drop of 1/8th on yesterday's rate, but later in the forenoon it declined again to 1s. 3 1/8d. The market locally is inclined to be easy.

Silver dropped in London 1/10th, American and India sold, and China bought. There was small business. After the official fixing, the market ruled idle.

In New York, silver is unchanged at 28 1/2. Futures are down. The cross-rate has improved to 8.83 1/8d.

### JEWEL THEFT ON SHAMEEN

#### MYSTERIOUS THIEF AT WORK

Shameen, Dec. 20.

A mysterious thief seems to be at work on Shameen. Two thefts have been reported to the Municipal Police.

A few days ago three watches and a small amount of money was stolen from the Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd., and more recently, Mrs. Southam, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., was robbed of the whole of her jewelry box. This contained all her jewellery, and although Mrs. Southam states that the actual value was not tremendous, it is a loss that can never be replaced, owing to the associations connected with the jewels.

So far the Police have not been able to trace the thief, though it is reported that a strange Chinese was seen in the flat of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, also of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. This man, when questioned by the houseboy asked him where to find the British Consulate.

It is believed the same man was seen by the servant of Mr. and Mrs. Southam, who reported that a Chinese of similar description inquired for Mr. Harrison.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

### JAPAN VERSUS LANCASHIRE

#### INVASION OF COTTON MARKETS

London, Dec. 21.

In a leading article on the cotton export trade and the invasion of Empire and other overseas markets by Japan, the *Financial Times* says that the Ottawa Agreement represents the limit to which the industry can look for relief in the fiscal sphere.

It adds that the settlement of the more-loom-per-weaver issue is the most effective way of cheapening production upon a scale sufficient to give Lancashire a chance of meeting Japanese and other foreign competitors, who have such an enormous present advantage in labour and other costs.—*Reuter.*

### NO MORE WAR DEBTS

#### LITTLE ENTENTE HOLD CONFERENCE

#### IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS

(Our Own Correspondent.)

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London, Dec. 21.

Developments of considerable importance to political Europe are announced as the outcome of a conference of the Little Entente Powers held at Belgrade.

The conference, which has just terminated, dealt with an agenda covering all political issues dominating Europe to-day and it yielded complete identity of views on the international issues.

The main result, however is an agreement for closer co-operation between the members of the Little Entente.

**PERMANENT SECRETARIAT.**

A Permanent Secretariat is to be established and it has been arranged that the leading Ministers of Yugoslavia, Rumania, and Czechoslovakia are to meet at least three times every year to discuss problems of mutual interest. These countries have already agreed upon the presentation of a united front at the resumption of the Disarmament Conference, and they also decided to pay no more war debts until Germany resumes reparations payments.



COMING SHORTLY!  
KING'S THEATRE.



THE WORLD  
OF WOMEN



By Joan Savvy

"Let's dress up when we go to teas or afternoon parties!" That is what women are saying, and doing, these days.

And to make matters simple, the same dresses are being worn for dressy afternoon things that you wear for informal dinners, when you dine simply and stay to dance at restaurants or in homes.

These informal dress clothes, that you need right at the minute, let their necklines and sleeves bear the brunt of style. They may be black or coloured, but it is by their necklines and their different sleeves that they achieve the style you want.

Square necks, if you look nice in them, round ones if you don't. But necks with a difference. For they are draped, have standing little back collars and scarf fronts, clips here and there, and invariably are wider than they are deep.

As for sleeves, there is a real vogue for short ones. Short but not too short for afternoon, usually just above the elbow. When they are long, they have sleeve caps to fasten their tops or flaring lamp shade cut to widen the elbow or leg-of-mutton cut to blow out the shoulder line.

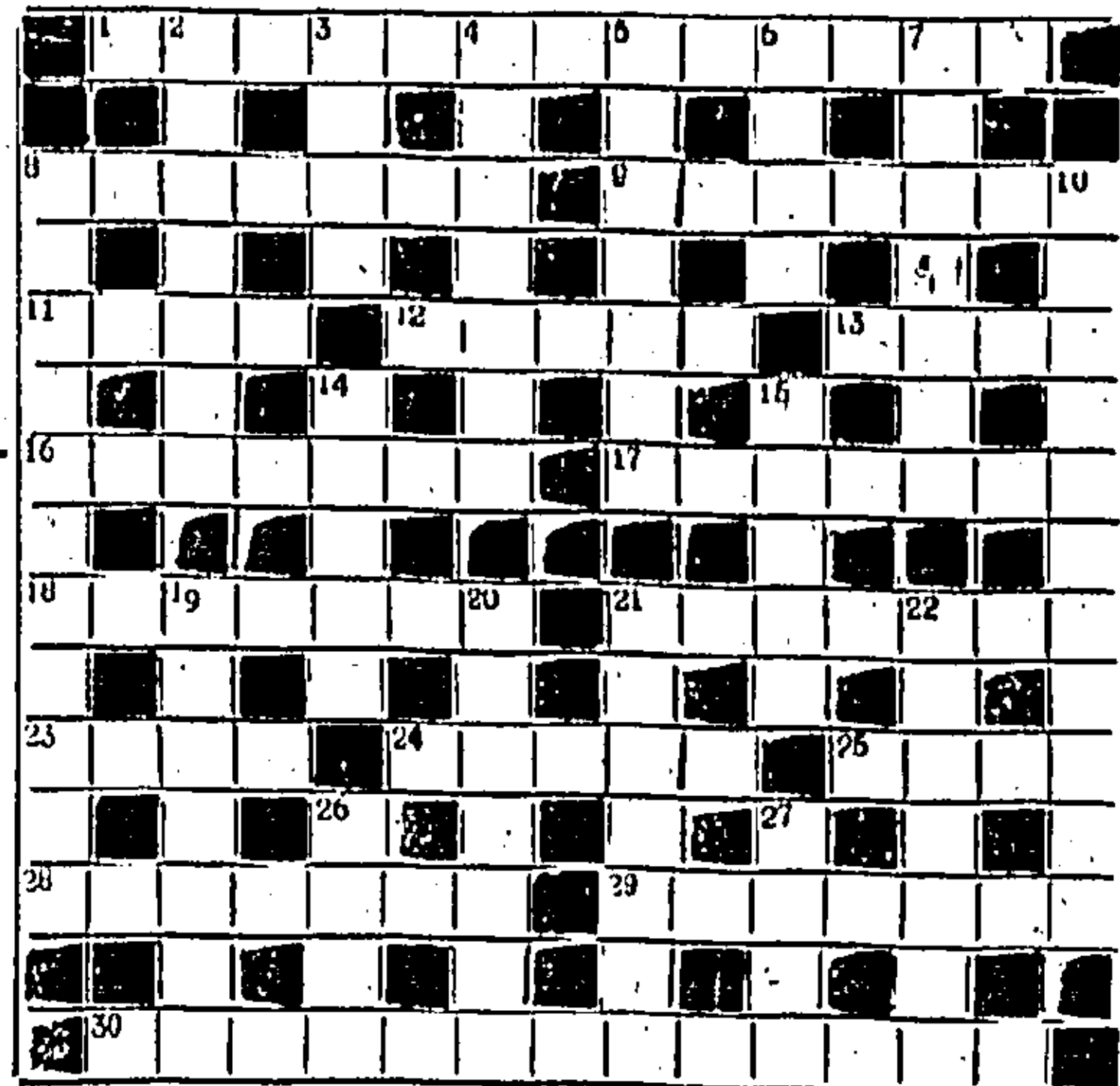
Velvet is the favourite of these afternoon and early evening things. Velvet in black or rich

greens, blues, grey, reds, or plum tones.

A black velvet formal afternoon dress, left above, has shirred sleeve tops and gathered puffs for the rest of them. It has a cowl neckline, with a straight back panel that ends standing up straight for a wee collar, caught at each side with a square clip of brilliants.

For the girl who likes colour, the rich green velvet dress, right, above, has small inverted tucks for the tops of the sleeves, which have an exaggeratedly large ymphole. The square neckline has little floral clips at each of its front corners.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



Across

- 1 It seems incredible, but it's a "nice cabin, love" (anag.).
- 3 Town in Surrey.
- 9 Employ a solicitor—concealing the university.
- 11 Hoarse sound.
- 12 These essays were published under a pseudonym.
- 13 A spot in the South Seas where dotty letters are welcome.
- 16 This is sweet.
- 17 Dexterly shown by a street performer in a street outside a Lancashire town.
- 18 What Shakespearean character says, "Hang there, my verse, in witness of my love"?
- 21 Three letters for a Turkish gentleman.
- 23 Just put the arms back, and be comfortable.
- 24 A word in clue 18.
- 25 Widgion.
- 28 He's in the entertainment on that account.
- 29 Guards on a journey.
- 30 You can't do without it though its tail is very expensive.

Down

- 2 Food and education.
- 3 (Rev.) Intended to drive away.
- 4 Give more to the end for the fellow worker.
- 5 In the beginning the youngster before us was a perfect nightmare.
- 6 Greedy.
- 7 Between stairs.
- 8 "Forgot hut, eh?" (anag.).

- 10 Naturally, lines by a saint might be expected to make for holiness.
- 14 When the food is this the feeder is not likely to be—
- 15 —this.
- 19 A revolver that is kept in a lighthouse.
- 20 Surmount this, and by the introduction of a little article revive a wartime phrase.
- 21 It is necessary to go back a good way in this part of the world.
- 22 A number may run lame and yet be O.K.
- 26 Son of Jacob.
- 27 The officer commanding joins the chartered accountant, in brief.

Yesterday's Solution.

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RUSSIAN LOBELIA  
T. T. E. E. L. S. A. S.  
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XMAS PUDDINGS.

Rich and Plain Recipes.

There are several different types of Xmas plum puddings—rich, eggless, bread or cracker crumb and graham or entire wheat flour, but if one wants to make a pudding that will keep indefinitely a rich recipe like the following should be chosen.

Plum pudding steamed in small bowls makes a most attractive Christmas gift and one that is sure to be appreciated.

Rich Plum Pudding

One-half pound suet, 1 pound cleaned currants, 1-2 pound seeded raisins, 1-2 pound stale bread crumbs, 1-4 pound candied orange peel, 1-4 pound citron, 4 eggs, 1-2 teaspoon grated nutmeg, 1-4 teaspoon cloves, 1-2 teaspoon cinnamon, 1-2 teaspoon salt, 1 cup dark brown sugar, 2 tablespoons orange juice or grape juice or sweet cider, 4 tablespoons flour.

Chop suet very fine and work with pastry blender until creamy. Chop currants and raisins and shred citron and orange peel. Mix fruit and sift over flour. Mix well and add to suet. Mix and add bread crumbs, yolks of eggs well

beaten, spices, sugar and fruit juice. Mix well and fold in whites of eggs beaten until stiff. Turn into buttered bowls or moulds, filling moulds not more than two-thirds full. Cover securely with heavy parchment paper or a floured cloth and plunge into a kettle of boiling water. Boil hard for four hours. Boil again, for two and one-half hours when wanted for serving.

Every Man's Plum Pudding  
This pudding is less rich but very good.

One cup finely chopped suet, 1 cup molasses, 1 teaspoon soda, 1 cup milk, 3 cups flour, 2 teaspoons cream of tartar, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1-2 teaspoon each cloves and nutmeg, 1-2 cups seeded raisins, 1 cup currants, 4 tablespoons shredded citron, 1-2 cup shredded orange and lemon peel (candied), 1 cup shredded almonds.

Mix suet and molasses. Add soda and stir until mixture foams. Mix and sift flour, salt, cream of tartar and spices. Add with milk to first mixture. Mix well and add fruit and nuts which have been chopped and mixed with an extra half cup of flour. Mix thoroughly and turn into a large mould or two smaller ones. Cover and steam four hours. When used, steam one hour to reheat thoroughly.

TO-DAY'S RECIPE.

Cocoanut Molasses Bars.

One cup molasses, 1-2 cup shortening, 4 tablespoons boiling water, 1 teaspoon soda, 1-3 cup granulated sugar, 3 cups flour, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, 1-2 teaspoon ginger, 1 teaspoon salt, 1 cup shredded cocoanut.

Pour water over shortening. Add sugar, molasses mixed with soda, flour, salt and spices. Mix well and add cocoanut. Chill thoroughly. Roll on a lightly floured board into a sheet about one-half inch thick. Cut in strips four inches long by two inches and bake ten minutes in a moderate oven.

MOUTH WASH

If you have sensitive gums, pack them with bicarbonate of soda around the teeth every night and allow it to stay on for a few minutes before washing off. Sensitive gums often come from an acid condition and the bicarbonate of soda helps neutralize this. Salt also is a good tooth aid. Scrub them with salt, instead of tooth paste, about once a week.

Nervous debility

frequently is caused by faulty nutrition and can be corrected by a regular course of this lung-healing and body-building food. Ask for

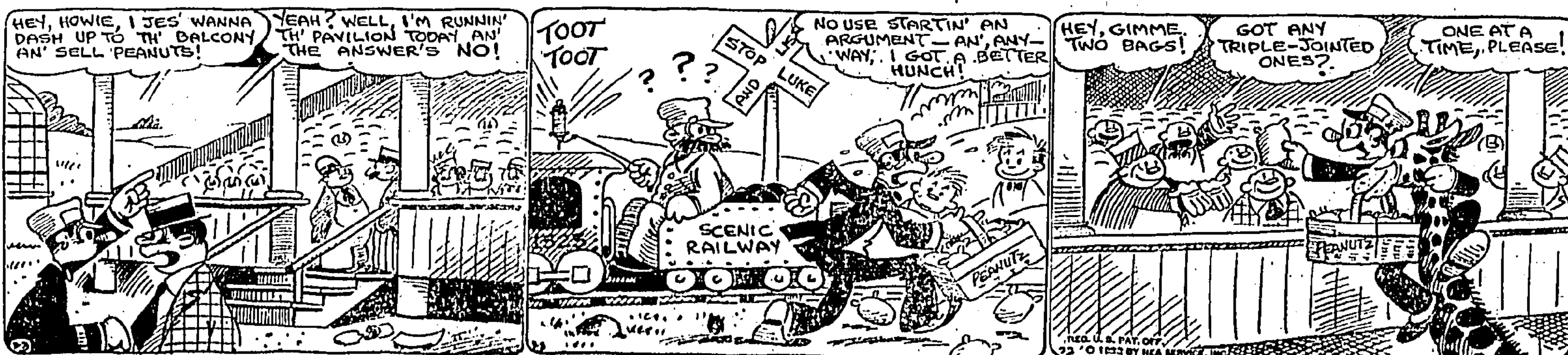
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## GREAT NEW MYSTERY SERIAL

**"WEEK-END MURDER"**  
BY GABRIEL E. FORBUSH

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

The story opens with a prologue in which a murder is committed by a homicidal maniac. Later he boards a train for Long Island, thinking of the pleasant weekend he is to have there. The name of the murderer is not disclosed.

The scene shifts to the Long Island home of LINDA and TOM AVERILL, married three years and much in love. Linda announces that instead of three guests over the weekend they are to have five. The guests will be COUSIN AMOS PEABODY, elderly distant relative of Linda's who was in New York on business and invited himself to visit the Averills; CAPTAIN DE VOR, handsome Belgian, representing a European perfume manufacturer with whom Averill hopes to do business; MR. STANTLANDER, middlewestern manager of the firm Averill works for; MARVIN PLATT, former suitor of Linda's whom she has not seen for several years, and LIAN SHAUGHNESSY, Irish writer on a lecture tour.

Immediately there is trouble. Cousin Amos grows angry at Bunty, a faithful old watchdog. At dinner he quarrels with Shaughnessy and calls him a dangerous rebel for defending Gandhi's work in India. Both men show violent tempers.

## CHAPTER V

Sure in the knowledge that the new lavender sports frock was a triumph of sophisticated simplicity, that her mellow tan brought out bewitchingly the blue of her eyes and the bronze-lights of her hair, and feeling decidedly refreshed by a good night's sleep, Linda stepped with lilted freshness down the broad polished stairs. The air was fragrant of fresh roasted coffee within the house and mingled flowers and sea from without. She hoped none of her guests was before her. She had arranged for trays for the two Europeans; the others had assured her they would descend for breakfast. At any rate,

Tom was down to do the honors until she arrived.

At the bottom of the winding flight she suddenly saw her husband and his expression annihilated in a second her carefree morning mood. Before Linda knew how she got there she was beside him and had her hand on his arm.

"Tom—what is it? Bingo?"

"No. Oh, no, honey—not the kid. Sorry I scared you!"

"Poor old Bunty—"

"Oh! Linda's eyes filled with tears. "Died in her sleep, poor old dog. Well—we didn't expect—"

Tom looked at her, hesitated, then spoke reluctantly.

"No—she didn't die in her sleep, Binks. Don't raise a row, though, of course, you wouldn't—"

Tell me quick—someone's coming!"

"She was killed during the night. Out on the lawn toward the garage."

"Tom! The poor old dog! Where is she?"

Linda's jaw set.

"Where you won't see her, Linda. Sorry, but you mustn't—oh, good morning, Mr. Stantlander! I hope you rested well last night. Glad we have such clear weather for the Fourth."

He was talking, Linda knew, to give her time to recover herself and in a moment she was able to echo mechanically his pleasant banalities.

"I think breakfast is ready," she said. "If you men will excuse me a moment, I'll see. Take Mr. Stantlander into the breakfast room, Tom. I'll just pop into the kitchen—"

she booted through the service door and stood a second or two in the short, cool passage. She wanted, oh, how she wanted, to run upstairs and fling herself childishly across her bed and cry. That poor old dog, that darling Bunty! Tom was so mysterious—what could have happened? Resolutely she put her thoughts on the important, control-saving details of her housewifely duties.

The girls in the kitchen greeted her dejectedly. Stout Annie, queen of a magnificent new electric range, moved listlessly about this former treasure, seeming not to know or care what her short, competent hands were doing. Rosie was abstractedly filling a water pitcher. Both waited for Linda to speak.

"It's a shame about the poor old dog and you girls know how I feel," she said. "But we've got company and we can't let down before them. Mr. Averill is in the breakfast room with one of the guests. Are you nearly ready?"

More than her matter-of-fact words, the appeal of her voice enought and steadied them. Annie moved more briskly. Rosie counted

over her assembled jam dishes, but for plates and covered mugs with a seeing eye. Satisfied that all would now move smoothly, Linda went back down the narrow passage. As she emerged into the sunny entrance hall, brisk steps sounded on the stairs. Marvin Pratt was coming down, looking very thoroughly tubbed and shaved, rubbing his hands with anticipated appetite. She greeted him and they joined the others in the little room off the more formal dining room.

Cousin Amos was already there, had been down some little while, he asserted proudly. "Roaming—unchallenged, this time—"

with a flash of reminiscent injured dignity, "down to the very water's edge and enjoying the cool, sweet air of the early morning. I sometimes think," he added, "that only those who really love nature, and want to see her at her best, gladly pay the price of a little lost sleep to catch the charm and fragrance of the untainted morning hours."

At the reference to poor absurd Bunty's misplaced zeal Linda and Tom winced but the talk drifted on and by common consent they did not bring the tragedy to the breakfast table. But it was to come up soon after when a slam of the screen door announced an arrival and Lian Shaughnessy, bearing his breakfast tray, appeared with the smiling, guileless face of a school-boy.

"Oh, you shouldn't have bothered, Mr. Shaughnessy! Rosie would have collected that!"

"Sure and it was no bother to save the girl the trip," he asserted blithely. "And 'twas a thought for her and two for myself at that. A bit of my breakfast muffin saved, you see, to propitiate the wee white

monster that set upon me in the dark last night as I entered my temporary abode. It took a kick that I'm sorry I made so lady, the morning, to free me from the little beast's attentions. I'd have made my peace or bribed my way across the grass, at least, but I didn't encounter the little dog at all."

"I'm sorry Bunty troubled you last night," said Tom soberly. "She is—she was something of a watchdog but I never know her so suspicious before. I'd have shut her up or sent her away yesterday if I'd known she was going to persecute our guests. I—I wish I had, for her sake, as well as for all of ours," he went on, realizing that there was no use avoiding mention of what must seem, to all these strangers, a minor domestic tragedy. "Bunty won't bother any of you any more. She died—in the night."

"Ah—distemper?" Cousin Amos looked rather alarmed. "Perhaps that accounts. Will you have her— I understand they test the brain—"

"She wasn't mad and she won't be examined," Tom broke in savagely. "The old dog was simply mangled to atoms, Cousin Amos, on the very lawn Mr. Shaughnessy speaks of some time after we all went to bed."

An outburst of startled exclamations interrupted him.

"You mean deliberately killed? Any traces . . . ?" "Did you say there'd been burglars?" "Deliberately killed—no traces—and there have been burglars operating around these parts since the summer homes began opening in the spring. It may be—"

"Poor little devil!" The Irish bit of my breakfast muffin saved, man's voice vibrated with the rich,

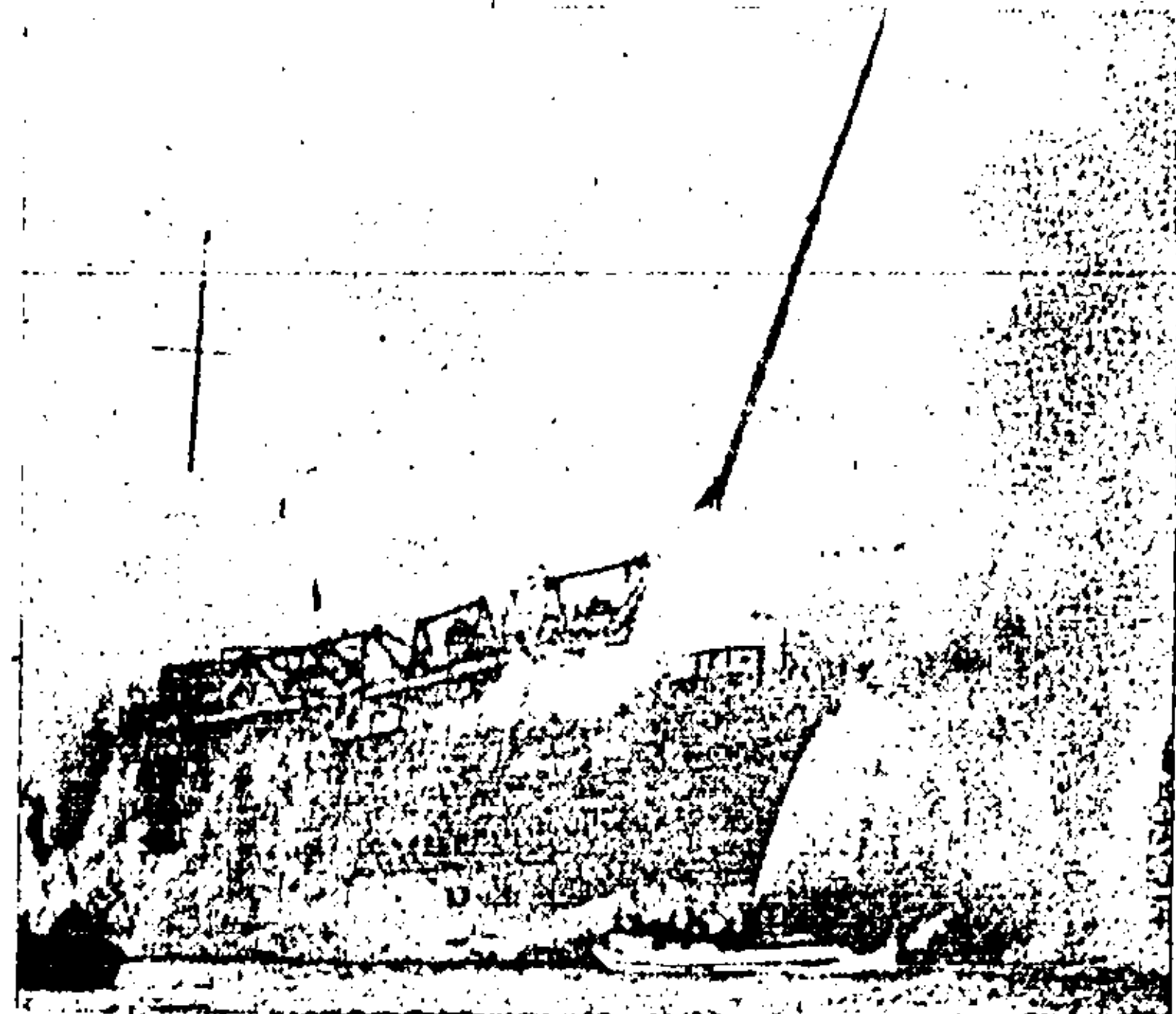
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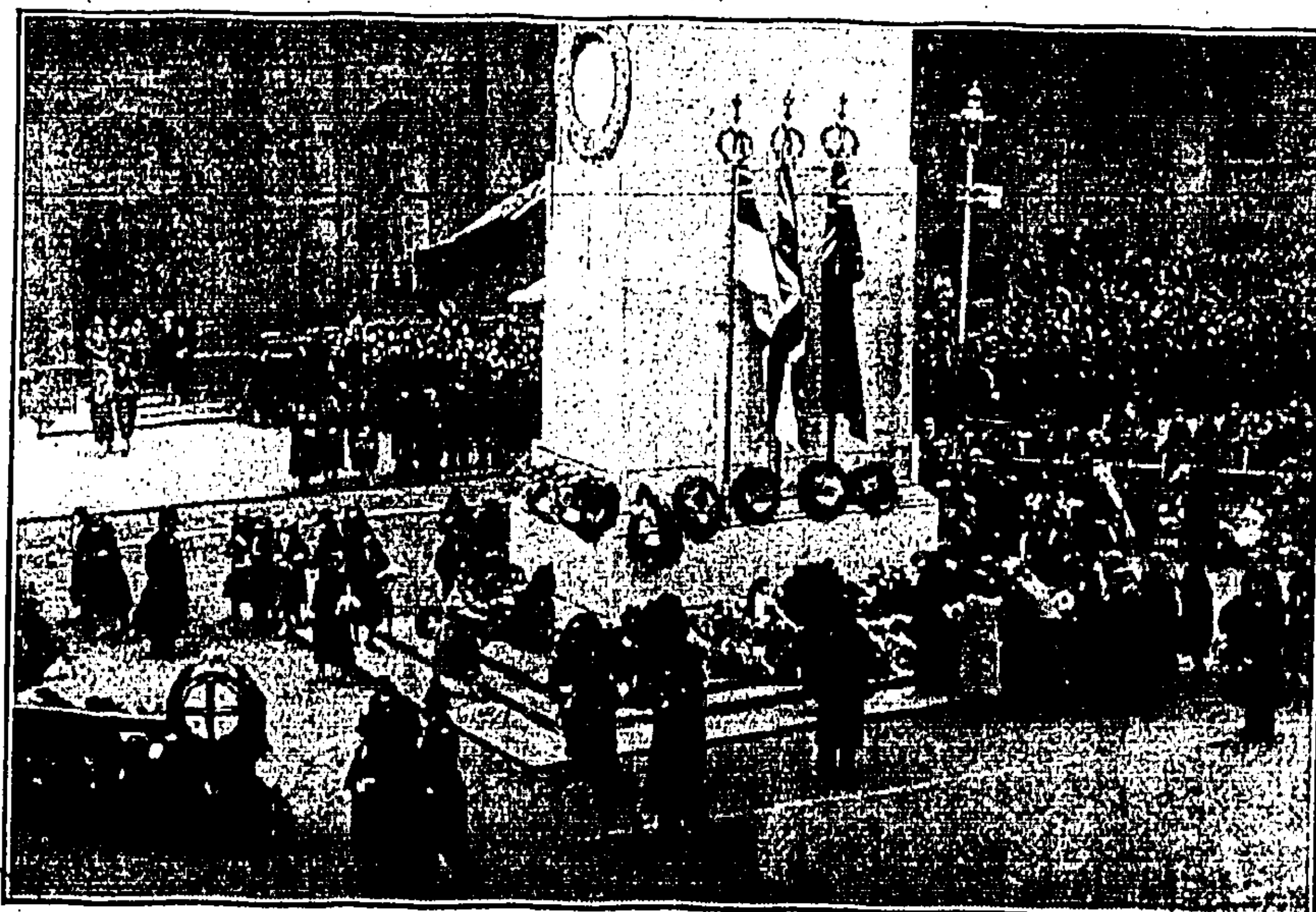
One of the street guard posts in Geneva, the city of peace recently, when machine-guns were used on a riotous crowd with disastrous results.



Mounted police keeping a crowd back during recent Communist disturbances in New York.



A remarkable photo showing the blaze aboard the Dutch mail steamer Pieter Corneliszoonhooft, which was destroyed in Amsterdam Harbour at the end of last month.



ARMISTICE DAY IN LONDON: THE PUBLIC AT THE CENOTAPH. As soon as was possible after the Armistice service at the Cenotaph had ended the public were permitted to file past the Memorial. Many of those who made this pilgrimage went on to join the queue waiting outside Westminster Abbey.—(Times copyright.)



THE PRINCE OF WALES AT OXFORD. The Prince of Wales visited Oxford and opened the new extension of the Taylor Institution and afterwards the new library at Magdalen College. Our pictures show the Prince at Worcester College, Oxford, during his visit to the University.—(Times copyright.)



Evidence of the sweep on the hurricane through Cuba recently, when over 1,500 persons were killed. Picture was taken at Santa Cruz del Sur, which was virtually erased from the map.

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### CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

The offices and stations of the Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on the 25th and 31st December, 1932, and 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th January, 1933, being Customs holidays.

F. N. ENSOR, Commissioner of Chinese Customs, Kowloon and District, York Building, Hongkong, 20th December, 1932.

### GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that at a Meeting of the Board of Directors of Green Island Cement Company, Limited, held at Exchange Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 17th day of August, 1932, a Call of \$2.75 per share was made upon all the members holding shares, whose names appear in the Company's register of shareholders on the 17th day of August, 1932, upon which only \$1.00 per share has been paid, and it was determined that such Call should be paid on the 31st day of December, 1932, to the Company's Bankers, The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, at their Head Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid.

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## POINT TO POINT

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Other starters Mr. W. 1 Polley's "Beauty Spot" (owner).

The result of the biggest sweep which was for the fourth even was as follows Ticket No. 5

\$205.60; No. 240 \$123.36; No. 181 \$41.12; No. 44 \$41.12.

The members of the Canton Ride are hoping to hold a flat race meeting on January 7 on the Shek Pai Race Course. Since the Mayor of Canton has shown such a keen interest in this sport, it is to be expected that this will become quite an important feature in the future world or sport in Canton.

### SUB-GRIFFINS FOR 1933 SEASON

(Continued from Page 10.)

13.2, Shum Sung; C31 Inevitable, Ches, 13.2, H. J. Young; C28 King Salmon, Ches, 14.0, Dynasty; C40 Goldbridge, Ches, 14.0, Mrs. Pearce; C41 Auction Bridge, Ches, 13.2, Lo; C45 Burgomaster, Ches, 14.0, Wong Sul-Ngai; C46 Jingle, Ches, 14.0, A. Z.; C47 Golden Dragon, Ches, 13.3, Gold; C54 The Goat, Ches, 13.2, Wayfower; C55 Brown Willy, Ches, 13.2, Bellamy and Gordon; C57 City of Canton, Ches, 13.3, A. E. M. Rafeek; C59 The Leprechaun, Ches, 13.2, Ulster; C65 Poverty Bay, Ches, 13.3, L. Dunbar; C67 Myreside, Ches, 14.0, Sello; C68 Philtrier, Ches, 13.3, E. L. Howie; C69 Old Yeh, Cream, 13.3, A. M. L. Soares; C77 Biscuit, Cream, 13.3, Quartermaster; C50 Hey Tor, Dun, 13.2, Mrs. Tinson; C35 Swale, Blue Dun, 13.2, Mackie and Grayburn; C66 November 22nd, Blue Dun, 13.2, S. S. Li; C51 Iron Grey, Grey, 13.1, Hau Un; C71 White Butterfly, Grey, 13.3, Au Tat-hing.

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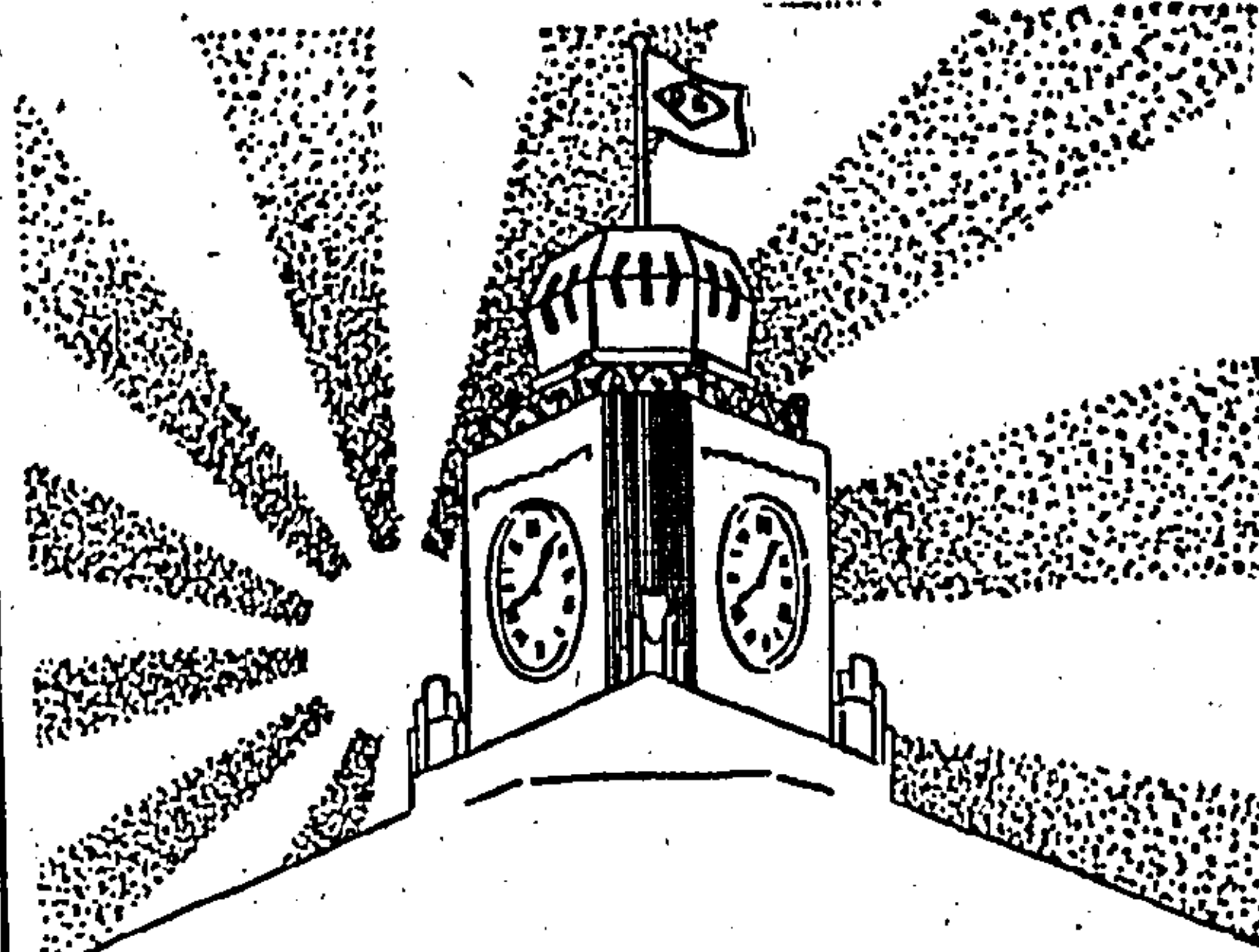
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Japan and Europe via Siberia (London, 26th November)	Buenos Aires Maru	December 23.
Japan and Shanghai	Katori Maru	December 23.
Japan	Atsuta Maru	December 23.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 25th November)	Pres. Monroe	December 23.
Manila	Pres. Jefferson	December 23.
Japan	Rakuyo Maru	December 24.
Japan and Shanghai	Asama Maru	December 25.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 2nd Dec.)	Pres. Coolidge	December 26.
Amoy	Tilawa	December 26.

### OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time.
	Wednesday.	
Straits and Calcutta	Suisung	Wed., Dec. 21, 2 p.m.
	Parcels	Dec. 21, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Dec. 21, 2 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Tai Poo Sek	Wed., Dec. 21, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Athos II	Wed., Dec. 21, 2.30 p.m.
Samsui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Wed., Dec. 21, 4 p.m.
	Thursday.	
Holhow and Bangkok	Kweiyang	Thurs., Dec. 22, 10.30 a.m.
Holhow and Pakhoi	Kwangtung	Thurs., Dec. 22, 12.30 p.m.
*Swatow and Amoy	Cremer	Thurs., Dec. 22, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Dec. 22, 3 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Thurs., Dec. 22, 4.30 p.m.
	Friday.	
Swatow, *Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., Dec. 23, 2 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Fri., Dec. 23, 2 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Hakone Maru	Fri., Dec. 23, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C. and *Europe via Siberia	President Jefferson	Fri., Dec. 23, 4.15 p.m.
(Due Victoria B.C. 10th January, 1933)	Letters	Dec. 23, 5 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Monroe	Fri., Dec. 23, 5 p.m.
	Saturday.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Katori Maru		Sat., Dec. 24.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand	Atsuta Maru	Sat., Dec. 24.
via Thursday Island		
(Due Thursday Island, 5th January, 1933)	Reg.	Dec. 24, 8.15 a.m.
East and *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	(Due Marseilles, 22nd Jan. 1933.)	
K. P. O.	G. P. O.	
Reg.	Dec. 23, 4.30 p.m.	Reg., Dec. 24, 8.45 a.m.
Letters	Dec. 24, 9 a.m.	Letters, Dec. 24, 9.30 a.m.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa and *South American ports	Buenos Aires Maru	Sat., Dec. 24, 10.30 a.m.
	Sunday.	
Foochow	Linan	Sun., Dec. 25, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun., Dec. 25, 9 a.m.
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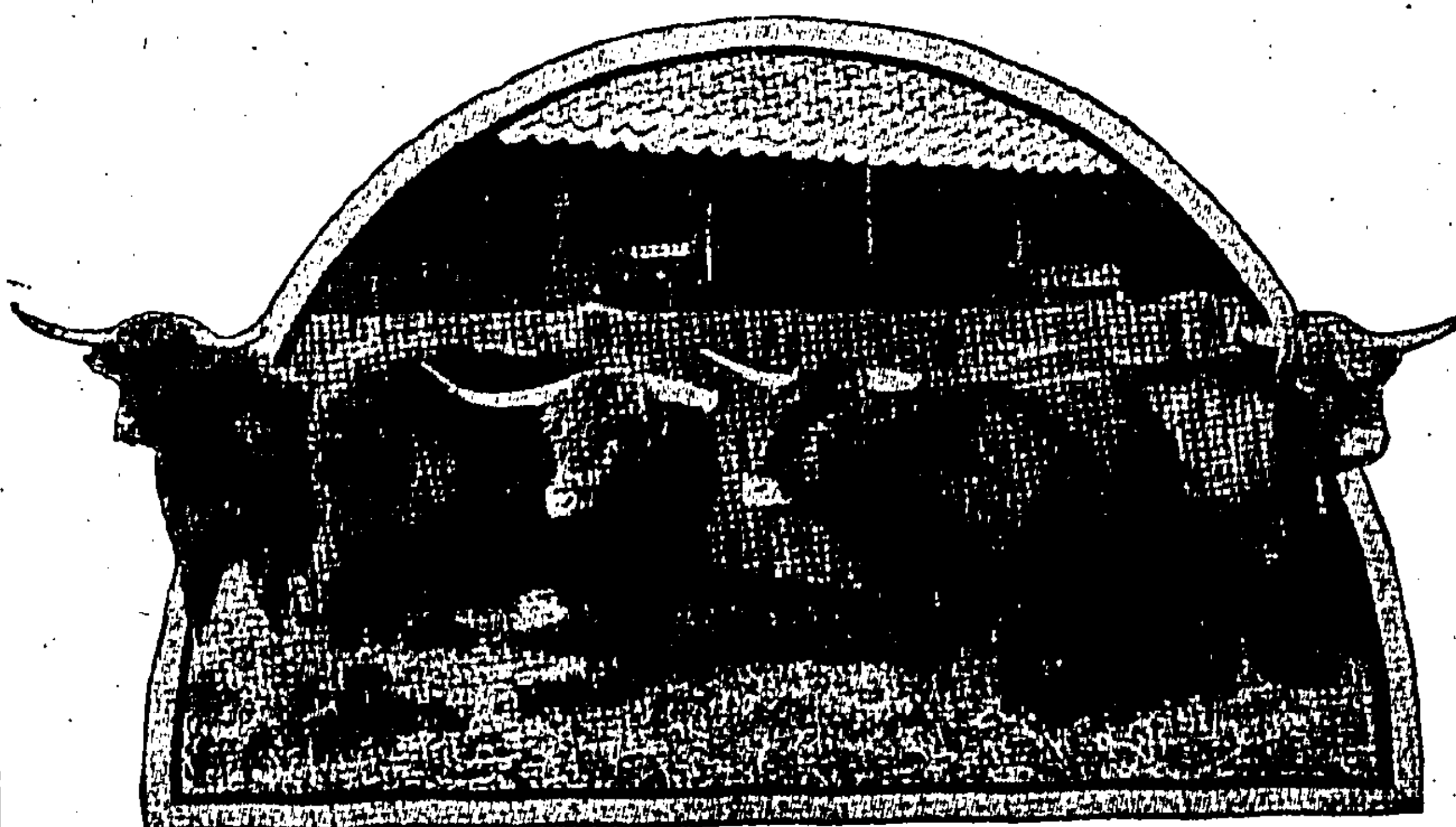
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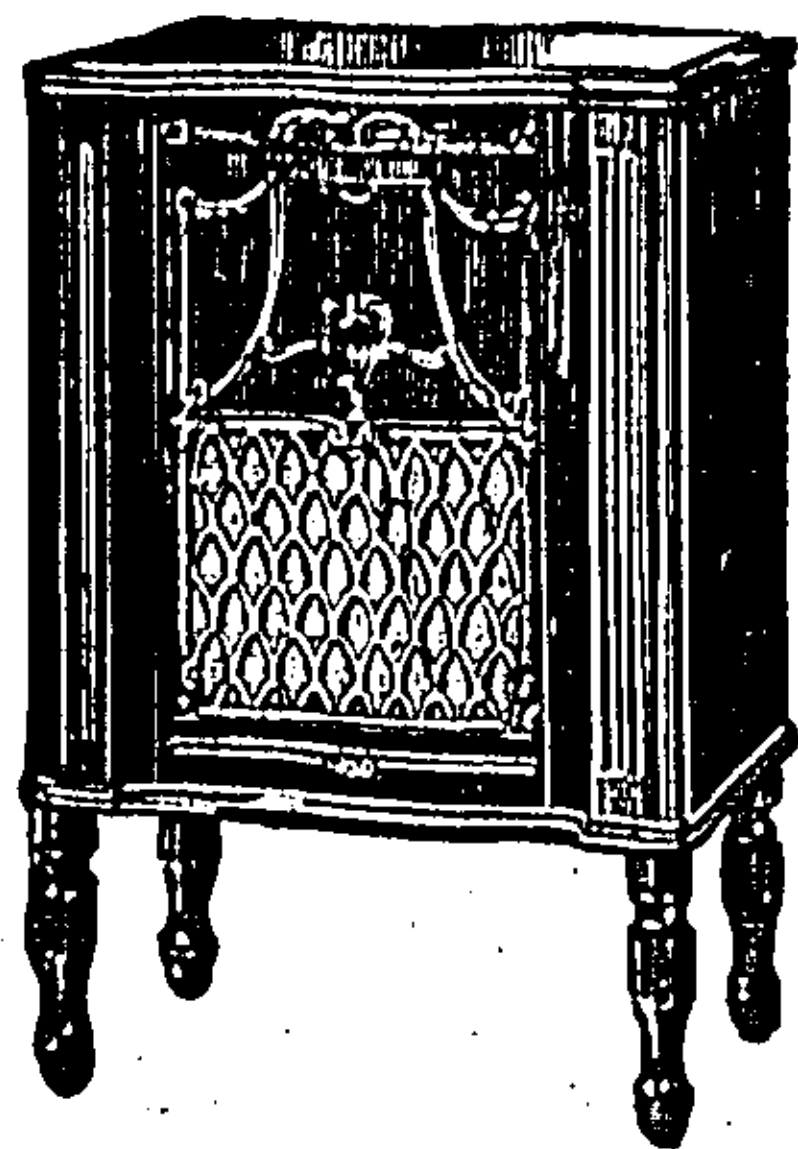
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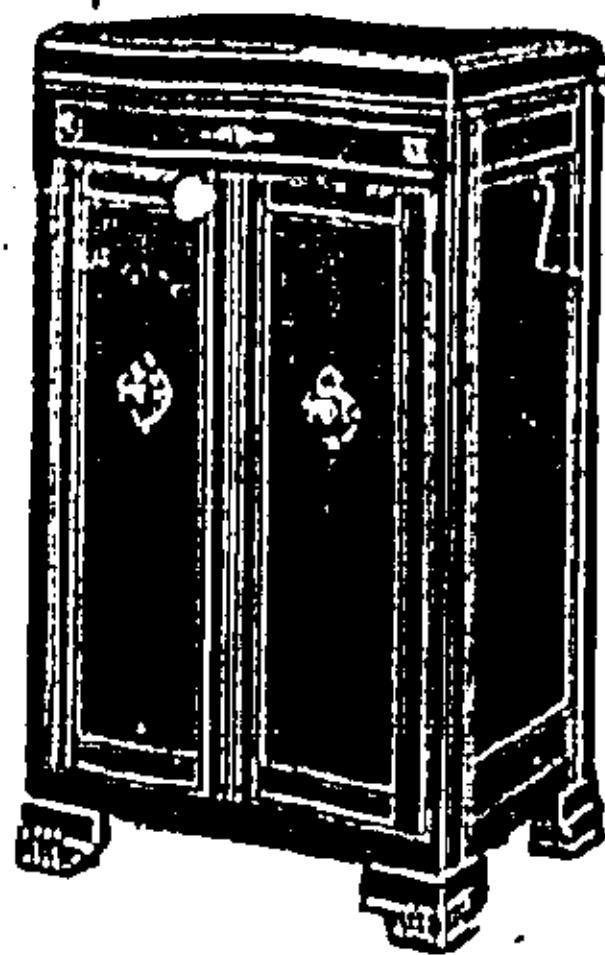


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### "SHELTERED" GIRLS

#### BACHELOR JUDGE'S VIEWS

In the King's Bench Division, Miss Constantia Wicksteed, of Nutford-place, Marble Arch, W., sued Major V. D. B. Cooper, of Blakeney, Gloucestershire, for £124, balance of fees due in respect of his daughter Ruth, who, when 18, did not return to the school conducted by plaintiff near Paris.

Major Cooper pleaded that he was justified in withdrawing his daughter, as Miss Wicksteed had not exercised proper supervision over the girls, particularly when they went to Paris.

Miss Wicksteed replied that the supervision was ample and excellent. When the girls went into Paris they wore, she said, always accompanied by a mistress, and if they were going to meet friends the mistress handed them over when they met.

Mr. Justice McCardie, in giving judgment for Miss Wicksteed for £92 14s. 2d. and costs, said he would assume that Miss Cooper had, as her father had stated, led a sheltered life. Before going to Paris she was at an English public school.

"I doubt very much," said Mr. Justice McCardie, "whether exaggerated importance is not attached at the present time to the desire to shelter girls who have reached the age of 16, 17, or 18.

#### Harm of Ignorance

"My own view is that to keep girls in ignorance does not help and may do harm. I think it is better for girls of that age to have a knowledge of the world and of social evils, and knowledge of sexual risks. To shelter a girl too much is an ill preparation for the life she may have to lead when she grows older and when she has to visit technical and art schools and other institutions of learning."

In the present case, he continued, the allegations came to this: There was a suggestion that one girl at the school collected the photographs of cinema stars of the male sex. Miss Wicksteed at once stopped this proclivity. Another went out from time to time by herself, but her parents had allowed it.

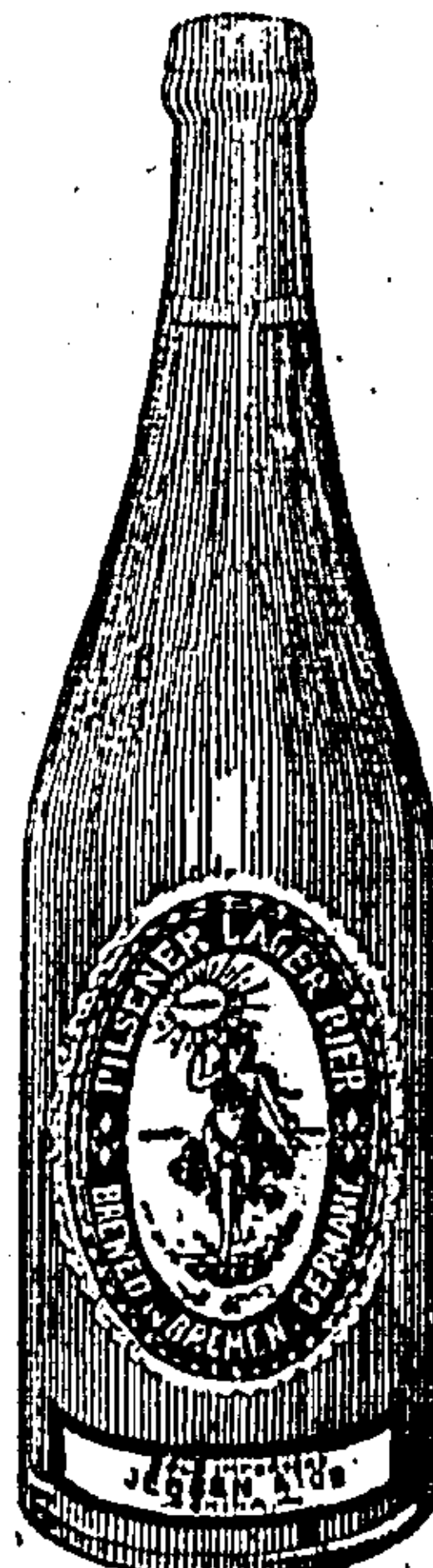
Then it was said that a third girl had received a letter from a young Frenchman asking her to luncheon with him in Paris and that she went out on the day he indicated. That incident depended on hearsay. It was impossible to treat girls of their age as though they were infants three years old.

Major Cooper, he added, did not make the slightest imputation against the moral character of any girl at the school.

His Lordship was satisfied that reasonable care and supervision of the girls had been exercised, that Miss Wicksteed was a woman of the highest character and ability, and that Major Cooper was not entitled to remove his daughter without notice.

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### CALL FOR GOVERNMENT POLICY.

Important recommendations were passed in Lincoln at a private conference of agriculturists.

The opinion was expressed that if the proposals were adopted by the Government at once they would materially assist in relieving the situation, but that if no action was taken a disaster of national magnitude would result, involving not only farmers, labourers, and traders, but a large proportion of the rural populations directly and indirectly dependent upon the land.

Colonel E. Royds presided, and those present included the Earl of Yarborough, the Marquess of Exeter, Lord Henegge, Colonel Henegge, M.P., for Louth; Sir Leonard Brassey, Mr. H. W. Smith, Carrington of Stamford, Captain M. J. Hunter, M.P. for Brigg; Mr. W. S. Liddall, M.P. for Lincoln; Mr. H. C. Haslam, M.P. for Horncastle; and Mr. R. J. E. Conant, M.P. for Chesterfield.

In regard to wheat it was demanded that there should be a substantial increase of the quantity of wheat on which quota payments are made, and that advanced deficiency payments should be made when practicable.

The stabilisation of the sugar beet industry was requested.

An effective duty on imported malting barley, and a quota scheme were other points recommended.

Pigs, potatoes, flour, and Irish cattle were among other matters on which action was demanded.

### Loans to Farmers.

The Conference called for a reduction in the rate of interest on loans made to farmers, with temporary relief in respect of annual repayments of capital.

In regard to meat, it was asked that until the Ottawa Agreements become effective every effort should be made to increase the wholesale price of cattle and sheep; that immediate restriction be placed upon foreign imported meat; that in all Government contracts preference should forthwith be given for home-produced meat; and that a fair price should be secured to the producer.

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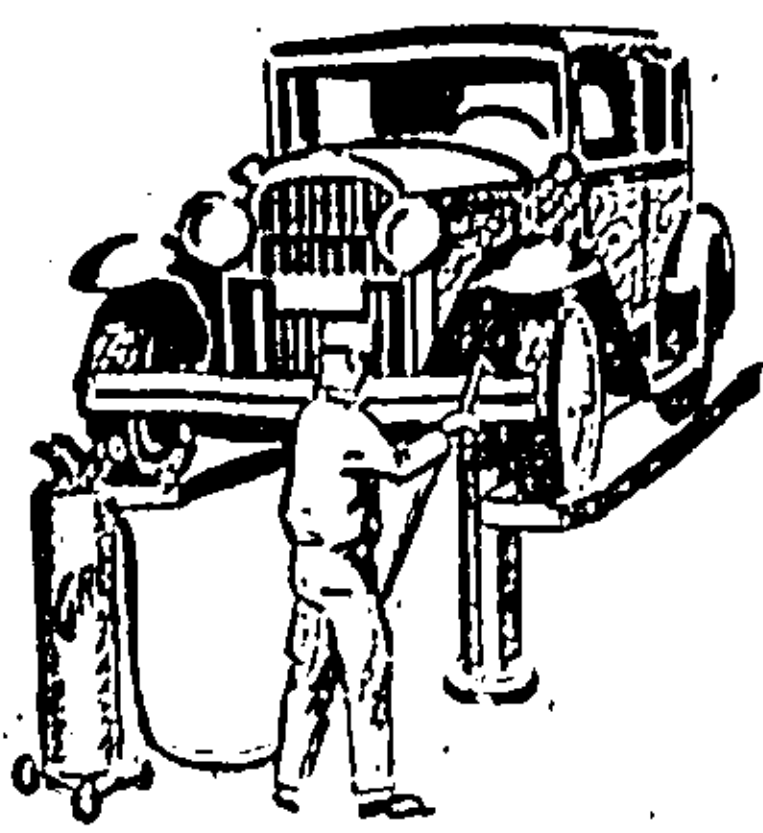
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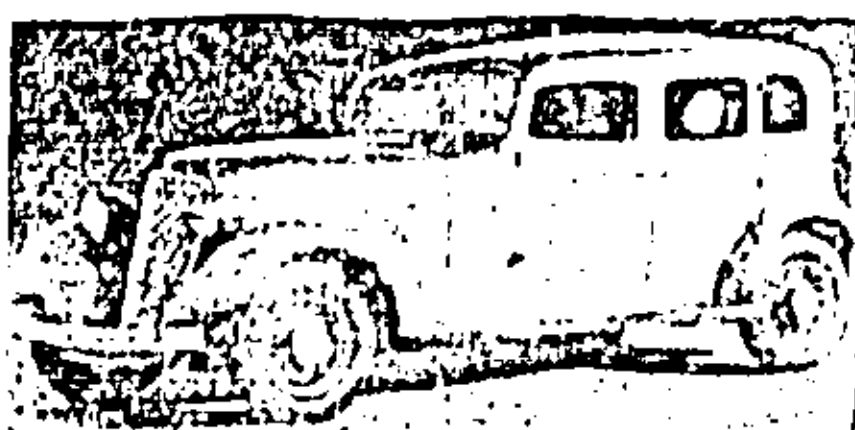
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The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Colclough and Frite in conjunction with Reuters. Gilt-edged securities strengthened considerably. Otherwise, the markets were very quiet.

	Dec. 19, 1932	Dec. 20, 1932
Brit-Am. Tob.	102/6	102/6
Japan 5% Ster.	£100-1/2	£100-1/2
Japan 6% Ster.	£100-1/2	£100-1/2
Shanghai 5% Ster.	£100-1/2	£100-1/2
Shanghai 6% Ster.	£100-1/2	£100-1/2
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### NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE YESTERDAY'S MARKET EASY

According to Messrs. Swan, Colclough and Frite, the New York market was easy yesterday. Business done—1,000,000 shares. The Wall Street Journal reports:—Due to the behaviour of stocks, the market drifted steadily lower near the close but moderate short covering caused most of the leaders to partially recoup their losses.

	Dec. 19, 1932	Dec. 20, 1932
Dow-Jones Average	60.08	58.78
20 Industrials	27.35	26.30
20 Utilities	28.01	27.37
40 Bonds	77.55	77.25
American Can	55	53 1/2
American Smelting	12 1/2	12
American Tel. & Tel.	108	104
American Tobacco	61 1/2	58 1/2
Amoco	6 1/2	6 1/4
Amoco Copper	6 1/2	6 1/4
Amoco Lead	6 1/2	6 1/4
Bethlehem Steel	14 1/2	13 1/2
Borden Company	25 1/2	25 1/4
Canadian Pacific	13 1/2	13 1/4
Chase National	35	35
Chrysler	16 1/2	16 1/4
Consolidated Gas of N. Y.	50 1/2	50 1/4
Drugs Inc.	3 1/2	3 1/4
Du Pont de Nemours	37 1/2	36 1/2
Eastman Kodak	55 1/2	54 1/2
Electric Bond & Share	19	18 1/2
Electric Power & Light	6 1/2	6 1/4
General Electric	15 1/2	15 1/4
General Foods	2 1/2	2 1/4
General Motors	13 1/2	13 1/4
Guaranty Safety	19 1/2	19 1/4
Rubber	15 1/2	15 1/4
International Harvester	22 1/2	21 1/2
International Tel. & Tel.	7 1/2	7 1/4
Kreuger & Toll	1 1/8	1 1/8

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Radio Corporation	5 1/2	5
Sears Roebuck	20 1/2	19 1/2
Shell Union	5 1/2	5 1/4
Socoy-Vacuum Cor- poration	7 1/2	7 1/4
Standard Oil Co. of N. Y.	20 1/2	20 1/4
Texas Corporation	13 1/2	13 1/4
Union Carbide & Carbon	25 1/2	24 1/2
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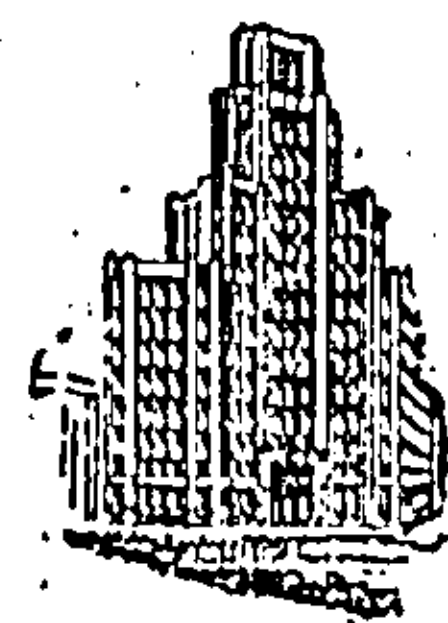


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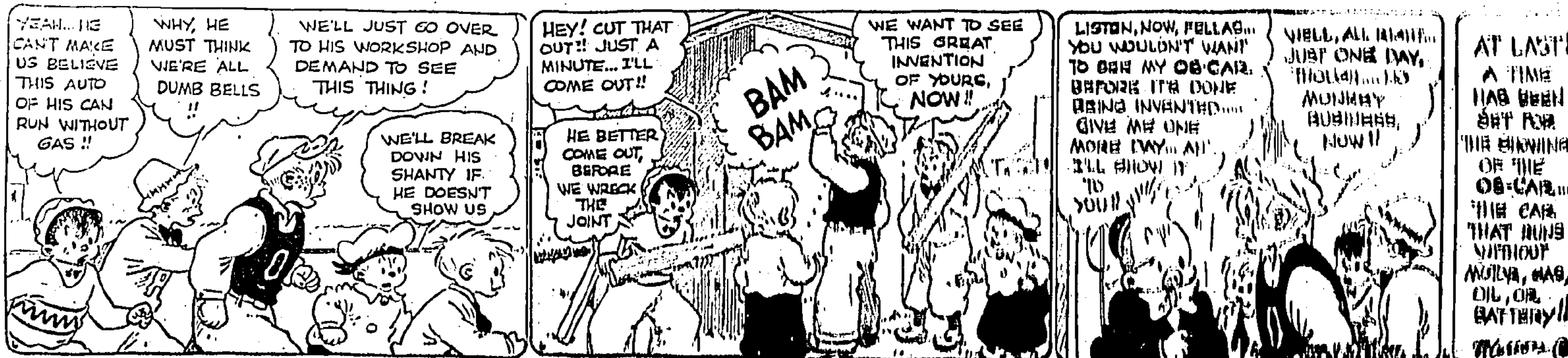
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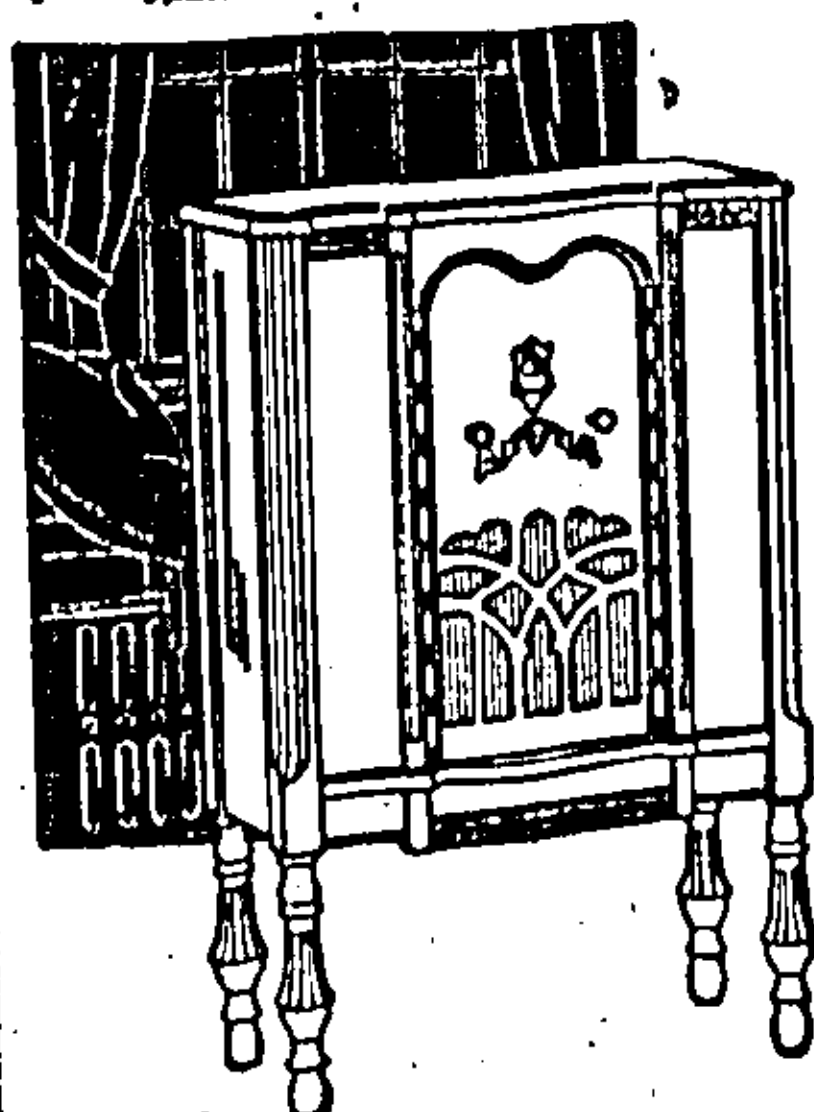
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## The Hongkong Telegraph

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1932.

## CHINA BECOMING IMPATIENT

The continued temporising in Geneva on the Manchurian issue is undoubtedly exhausting China's patience. After weeks of arguing and side-stepping, the prospects of an adjustment of the issue satisfactory to both sides appear to be receding. The latest step is that the sub-committee of five has passed a resolution that the Committee of Nineteen must find a settlement, not merely make another report, and that this settlement must be in accordance with the League Covenant, the Kellogg Pact and the Nine-Power Treaty. If there were any prospect of such a settlement being devised within a reasonable period of time, no-one could complain, but it is intimated that the Committee of Nineteen requires six months in which to discharge its task. In the circumstances, Chinese impatience is quite understandable. Whilst the path of conciliation would undoubtedly be the wisest to take, there is, unhappily, little indication that either party to the dispute desires to follow it. Japan still resents any interference with her settled plan, whilst China quite naturally asks that the League hasten its decision. Despite all the complications which have been introduced during the arguments, to the layman the issue appears to be one on which no difficulty should be found in reaching a definite conclusion. It is for the League to say whether or not Japan's actions have infringed any of the three main pacts which are applicable to the circumstances. But there is a most obvious disinclination to pass judgment on the issue by referring the matter first to this group, and then to that, with apparently little hope of finality being speedily reached. The Chinese Government has already made known its inability to accept the latest resolution, whilst the temper of the Chinese people is evidenced by the demands made by a mass meeting in Shanghai that no settlement will be acceptable which does not provide for the withdrawal of Japanese troops, the non-recognition of Manchukuo and the

condemnation of Japan as a violator of treaties. Unfortunately, Sir John Simon, in his anxiety to promote the conciliatory process, has incurred the displeasure of Chinese opinion, with the result that the British attitude is under suspicion. Unless this feeling is dispelled, the most undesirable consequences might easily arise. The need of the moment is two-fold. First, there is call for greater frankness on the part of the Powers in facing the issues. Secondly, there must be a speeding up of League action. Failing these, the prospect is a complete failure at Geneva, with subsequent developments of the utmost gravity.

## Of Good Cheer

Most of us are entering upon this Christmas merrymaking poorer than we have been for many a season. The world depression has visited us since we last gathered at this feast. But even if Santa Claus is perforce a little less generous than usual, good cheer, we may be sure, will prevail in these coming days. Some may be tempted to make merry on the principle that "to-morrow we die"; but if we could make nothing better of the occasion than that we might as well sit down in sackcloth and ashes here and now. To look forward into 1933 as if all were going to be lost were a surrender indeed. Nothing could well be more foolish than to accept the tale of the pessimists at its face value; for we shall win through just in proportion as we know how to be spontaneously cheerful. This is not just a counsel of facile optimism. In so far as our troubles are due to ourselves, we have set our hand with a will to the task of repairing past errors and putting our house in order. The patch of blue in the sky may not yet be greater than the size of a man's hand; but it is unmistakably there and it is a token of fairer weather to come. Unfortunately, improvement does not rest with ourselves alone, but is indissolubly linked with that of the rest of the world.

## Robots Prefer Women

Robots are not so heartless as one might infer from their outward appearance. Those fiercely-efficient batteries of adding machines which have shot tens of thousands of clerks from their office stools are not wholly devoid of the finer emotions. Sir Herbert Austin informs us they have a distinct preference for feminine society. It may be that men bear them a grudge for possessing the sort of brain that never makes a mistake, and do not treat them with due respect, while women, adequately modest in their presence, sweeten their tempers and put them on their mettle. The fact remains that they do their best work when wheedled rather than dragooned. This is a heartening discovery. There is still some hope for the human race if the Frankenstein created by man can be tamed by woman. It will be extremely embarrassing, no doubt, when the evolution of the Robot reaches the stage that each begins to show a preference for some individual blonde or brunette, and refuses to work for anyone else, but that would be preferable to an army of soulless machines inspired by a common urge to oust mankind from the dominion of Earth. Meanwhile, Sir Herbert Austin pays a well-merited tribute to the proficiency of women as factory workers. It is surprising that girls have "taken to" machinery so quickly and that their management of it should so often be superior to that of youths. In monotonous routine work woman's patience and interest in detail stand her in good stead. Man has this to his credit, however, that when anything goes radically wrong with the machine, woman invariably takes a back seat until the wheels are once again set in motion.

## A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

SOME RELAXATION IS NECESSARY TO PEOPLE OF EVERY DEGREE; THE HEAD THAT THINKS AND THE HAND THAT LABOURS, MUST HAVE SOME LITTLE TIME TO RECRUIT THEIR DIMINISHED POWERS.—Gilpin.

## THESE ARE THE DAYS

Says JOHN PRIOLEAU

"I WONDER why I had to be born just when I was!" said the man we call Yesterday—a charming fellow, but a trifle on the regretful side. "They were good days, those before the War, when life ran smoothly and there was none of this ghastly restlessness and unrest. Peace is what I like and I shall never know it again. None of you seem to realise that we are living in the worst age in history."

I have heard old Yesterdays talk rubbish before, but this exceeded his usual ration, as I pointed out to him. I wouldn't have lived at any other time for anything you could offer me.

I don't know what he meant by "the worst age," but I do know that the last twenty-five years have been by far the most exciting the world has known, so far as we can tell from what records there are. To go back quite a long way, just think of all the things that have happened since Victoria died, and how they came in one marvellous rush—particularly mechanical things.

These are of course now the common-places of everyday life, from wireless to air-liners, whose adventures in hurricanes all over the world are far less often mentioned in the papers than the sickness of people crossing from Calais to Dover on a windy day. (There is a Silent Service, if you like.) But aren't you glad you saw them happen?

Times are certainly rough to-day, but can you think of any period in the world's history when To-morrow was as eagerly looked forward to? We needn't go back to the War for examples of that tense expectation of the unknown which makes life worth living. The War was detestable in every conceivable sense of the word, but would you rather have died or been born without knowing it? Its results have been, and will be, infinitely worse than it was itself—but would you have missed them had you the chance?

Pitt said "Roll up that map." Poor man, I suppose he thought he had pronounced an epitaph on an epoch. I should like to hear his views on the map of Europe to-day, flanked by another of the world. He would not tell anybody to roll them up, but to send out and buy a dozen of each, just to last out the week. Moreover, I doubt if he would die just then. Who could, without knowing what To-morrow will bring?

The Enigma of To-morrow  
To-morrow! What shall we read to-morrow? Will a hundred million people on the other side of the Atlantic be suddenly freed from Prohibition? Will the world be shaking off the depression that is making paupers of its richest citizens? Shall we read that Disarmament is a reality? Or that it is a permanent fantasy? That substitutes have been found for rubber and oil?

Why not? As I sit at this article ex-Miss Amy Johnson is making another of those flights which are merely the forerunners of to-morrow's week-end trips for all. Why not? They said only yesterday, so to speak, that you couldn't fly the Atlantic from East to West. Why?

Because they hadn't realised that the to-morrow of to-day are the most wonderful that have ever been known. Before they had finished shaking their heads about it the thing had been done.

A friend of mine left Croydon last week to pay a short visit to a place in Africa you could only reach last year in about seven weeks, taking ship and train and motor-car and native litter and canoe and your own feet to the business. Those feet of yours often left prints beside the fresh spoor of picturesque creatures like lion and buffalo.

In the canoe you crossed a very large lake with all the attributes of what we should call a sea, except that it is full of crocodiles. The car made its way along a home-made road impassable for a good four months in the year. It was really one of the journeys of the day before yesterday. My friend is this afternoon, as near as I can guess, somewhere over Khartoum and will be at journey's end the day after to-morrow—ten days out from Croydon, Surrey, and between five and six thousand miles south of it.

On the way there she will have spent agreeable nights in Rome, Athens and Cairo, everywhere living on the fat of the air. She could not have done that last year, which is scarcely yesterday. Why should I wait for a mail-steamers in order to get to New York next morning? How do we know that the time-table of the Liverpool-Greenland-Newfoundland, or the Falmouth-Rabat-Azores-Bermuda air services won't be advertised by June? We don't know, but we are learning not to be surprised at things. We are living in the most exciting times that ever happened. We are waking up.

Victorian Dullness  
After years and years of dreadful dullness, with a little war here and another little war there, beastly, no doubt, as all wars are whatever their size, but out of sight and mind; with political ten-cup storms, like the fall of Melbourne, the rout of Gladstone by Disraeli and the row over the Ladies of the Bedchamber (to-day the one seems as futile as the others)—after half a century of primeval ooze life we crashed into adventure. Time opened the shutters and daylight and action overwhelmed us.

From the moments when the Panther appeared off Agadir, Bleriot flew the Channel and Marconi did his stuff, until breakfast-time this morning we have not had time to think about yesterday—and it has done us all the good in the world. Times are certainly rough. Every other week there is a war hatching or being scotched somewhere, every day the situation, political, national, industrial, at home and everywhere else, is changing. Responsible statesmen of all countries utter warnings and prophecies of such weight as would have made them remembered (and quoted) for years afterwards in the sunset-dying period. But we get first-class crises so fast that there is no time for us to get fatty degeneration of the mind—a peculiarly British disease, very prevalent until now.

I am thankful I was born when I was and that I'm here to-day. I wouldn't have missed any of it for the world.

## The Very Idea!

### THIS WAR DEBTS MUDDLE

By Edward Kelly, Shroff-Dodger.

We note with concern the concern that is being felt concerning war debts.

We don't see the need for this. Too many people think that the war debt position is so muddled, that there is no one with brains enough to see a way out.

They forget us.

What's wanted is a credit system throughout the world.

We have been all in favour of a credit system for a long time, and countless encounters with shroffs has enabled us to evolve one we consider watertight.

The whole thing hinges on the expansion of local and international credit, the gold standard, moratoriums, pegging the exchange, supply and demand, abolition of the tael, exports and imports, overseas interest, the demoralisation of silver and a few other odds and ends.

It will be plainly seen that with material like that, any man who couldn't evolve a system which would defy all human comprehension except his own must be a bit dull.

Now, you ask us, what is this system of ours?

Well, you know how things are now. External debts overlapping external and internal creditors, who are inflating the one year moratorium, while the gold standard conglutinates at a low percentage, due to the late war.

("Yes")

Well, where the incidence of deflation of the pound sterling strikes the gold dollar we naturally have a smaller co-ordination between consumption and convulsion which will—any, must—lead to the devaluation of exports and imports on a pro rata basis.

("Yes, yes. Of course")

On the other hand, collateral securities taken coincidentally three times a day (t.d.s.p.c.) with a double dose on retiring so bolsters the exchange, artificially, of course, that the financial institutions automatically cease contracting demoralisation from overseas creditors at par.

Now, just see what this means.

Immediately the effluxion of gold bears interest at the present exchange rate, deflation sets in and demoralization and expansion of internal credits is inevitable. See?

("Yes. Isn't it marvellous")

Oh, but all this is wiped out by our system. What our system aims at is—

"Listen! Another word out of you, and you'll get an inflation riot between the eyes."

### THE SERVANT PROBLEM.

We called on George the other night to see if he could help us think of a six-lettered word meaning something to drink and found him sitting in the drawing-room looking as solemn as a Scots elder on a Sunday night. We noticed that his boots were not on the mat as usual, but on his feet; his hat was carefully hung up. He offered us a cigarette in a subdued fashion and got an ashtray. Hitherto he had used the carpet, the aspidochelone, or the coalbox for the purpose.

We inquired if he had any other symptoms, and whether he'd seen a doctor, so he informed us that it wasn't anything like that. It was the confounded new amah. She was an absolute treasure, but what a strain trying to appear respectable enough to live up to her.

### WE GO SHOPPING.

We are going to talk shop. Shopping shop. Yesterday we perambulated in Des Voeux Road where there are several shops, and every one so full that every time a shopwalker bowed, a shopper fell out of an emergency exit.

Clearly, we say it here and now, there is wisdom in the slogan "Shop early and avoid the rush." The difficulty, however, when shopping early is to avoid those shopping early—or even earlier.

It's certainly better to shop now than later. You avoid the Rush. But mind you keep that under your hat. We're afraid of it leaking out.

### A HANDSOME OFFER.

Someone has written offering us "a thousand original and hitherto unpublished quotations," all written by himself. "Naturally," he explains, "I should quote you a specially reduced price if you chose to buy the complete collection."

We must confess our surprise. We didn't know authors were allowed to do that. If any reader cares to be supplied with a collection of quotations from our own unpublished works we shall be delighted to oblige. The quotations are typewritten on opaque paper, and cost \$14 a hundred.



"Give her three ounces of milk and one biscuit at four o'clock, and see that she chews slowly."



**TEMPLE ROBBED  
AT STANLEY****THIEF CAUGHT AFTER  
HUE AND CRY**

A Chinese who robbed a temple, but found that, figuratively speaking, he had roused a hornet's nest, was to-day at the Central Police Court, sent to prison for stealing two pairs of candlesticks from a joss-house at Stanley Village.

According to Sergeant Bradwell, who brought the charge, the man, upon leaving the temple, was seen by an old woman who, noticing a bulky sack he was carrying, asked: "Have you got my chicken there?" and was satisfied when he told her that all he had in the bag were herbs.

It was not long before the villagers discovered their loss, and raised a din. A Chinese detective from the local station, realising the thief could not have been a villager despoiling his own temple, commandeered a car, and four miles out on the road to Shaikwan, overtook the thief with the stolen goods.

The man was known to the Police, by reason of an opium prosecution.

The Magistrate enforced a bond of \$25 he had imposed on the previous occasion, and in addition to the month's imprisonment in default of this amount, sentenced prisoner to a further term of three months' hard labour.

The detective responsible for the arrest was commended by the Magistrate.

**FINE VALUE FOR  
MONEY****NEW BATCH OF OPEL  
CARS ARRIVE**

The new "Opel" cars, a complete range of models of which has recently arrived at the Dragon Motor Car Company's premises at Happy Valley, represents splendid value for a really moderate outlay. Built by General Motors at one of their huge European factories, "Opels" embody many principles which are to be found in vehicles of higher priced spheres. It is not surprising that throughout Europe, and in many other parts of the world, people whose duty it is to review automobiles, have given generous praise to these vehicles.

A representative of the Telegraph who was recently accorded an opportunity of trying the four-cylinder roadster around the Island found that the claims are fully justified. It should be mentioned that this particular model, which appears to be ideal for local conditions, sells for the low price of \$2,460, which includes five wire wheels, tyres and tubes, front and rear bumpers. Local motorists who are interested should arrange with the Dragon Motor Company for a demonstration run.

**SINKING OF WELLS****DURO PUMP COMPANY  
CAUTIONED**

Mr. W. S. V. Curtis, manager of the Duro Pump and Engineering Company, was summoned before Mr. Butters at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for unlawfully sinking four wells on Kowloon Island Lot 2153 without a permit from the Building Authority.

Mr. A. F. Reynolds, of the P.W.D., prosecuted.

Pleading guilty to a technical offence, Mr. Curtis explained that the first well was sunk about four months ago, not by him, but by the building contractors presumably for the water supply for construction purposes. He saw the well there and later received a letter from the architect, from which he assumed that permission had been obtained to sink wells.

Mr. Reynolds said he was not taking a serious view of the offence. If an application had been made for permission, Mr. Curtis would have had no difficulty in obtaining it.

In the circumstances, his Worship thought a caution would meet the case.

**STEALING BY  
FINDING****DOCK WORKER SENT  
TO PRISON**

An engagement ring was an exhibit at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when an employee of Kowloon Docks, was charged before Mr. Butters with larceny by finding.

The ring belonged to another workman who missed it yesterday afternoon and later found it in the possession of the defendant. He offered defendant \$3 for its return, but defendant refused to give it up.

Finding that words were used

**FOUR YEARS FOR  
EMBEZZLEMENT****FORMER CLERK OF  
THOS. COOK AND SON**

Lo Kau, formerly in the service of Thos. Cook and Son, pleaded guilty at the Criminal Sessions before the Pufano Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) this morning, to a charge of stealing, while in the employ of the firm named and of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son (Bankers) Ltd., as a clerk, a sum approximating \$13,000. He was represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara (instructed by Mr. H. C. Lee).

The particulars of the offence are that, accused, on or about July 2nd, 1932, while in the employ of Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son, Ltd., stole £127. 12. 0. sterling, United States \$371, Shanghai \$125, Singapore \$46, Saigon piastres 591, pesos 18, rupees 630, guilders 125, francs 900, and Hongkong \$6,293.42.

The case was opened by Mr. J. A. Fraser, Assistant Attorney General, for the Crown, who stated that defendant was engaged at Messrs. Thomas Cook's 14 years ago as a bank messenger and he held that employment for eight years. Six years ago he was promoted to be in charge of the cash in the tourist department. On the 23rd. June this year he was again promoted and was given charge of the banking cash as well.

While in charge of the tourist cash he received a salary of \$80 which continued when he was promoted. Had he proved satisfactory he would have received a higher salary. It was his duty to receive the cash at the end of the day after it had been examined and placed in the safe. The till was divided into compartments and it was easy, by merely glancing at it, to tell roughly how much money it contained.

**PRACTICALLY EMPTY.**

On the 30th June a considerable amount of money was contained in the cash box, but when it was examined on July 4th, practically the whole amount was missing. On the 1st July, a holiday, a Mr. Weight was in charge of the banking department under Mr. Perrin, the manager, and at the end of that day everything appeared to be in order. On July 2nd, Mr. Perrin and Mr. Williams, another European employee, were the only people in charge of the office. Mr. Williams left early and there was nothing to say how the cash box got into the safe. It had not been handed over when Mr. Williams left, but it was in the safe when Mr. Perrin left. When the box was opened on the following Monday morning, it was practically empty and the accused was missing. Nothing more was heard of him until November 1st, when he was arrested as he was leaving the Canton boat.

His Lordship:—Was he secured in any way?

Mr. Fraser:—I understand there was an interim guarantee fund to which all the employees subscribed.

Accused was sentenced to four years' hard labour.

The Hongkong Stock Exchange reports that the bulk of trading in recent weeks has been in the lower-priced issues, and this morning these turned quite buoyant, Lights advancing to \$14.10, Hotels \$9.50 and Coments \$9.50 all cash. Owing to profit-taking, however, there was some reaction at the close.

less, complainant reported the matter to the Police, who arrested the defendant.

Sentence of a month's hard labour was passed.

**KOWLOON JUNIOR  
SCHOOL****APPEAL TO PARENTS ON  
HEALTH MATTERS****PRIZE DAY HELD**

Kowloon Junior School had their annual prize-giving this morning, the ceremony being performed by Mrs. G. P. de Marigny. The pupils gave great delight with a most enjoyable programme.

The Head Mistress's report, stated that the attendance was well maintained throughout the year, the maximum enrolment being 114. In October the children formerly found to have some health defect, 14 in number, were re-inspected. Five had improved, and five had left for England. Defects were chiefly those of teeth, tonsils, or enlarged glands. The general health of the children is good—26 cases of infectious disease have been notified, mumps, whooping cough, and measles being the most usual. Several children kindly gave the lunch interval, and have been benefited. Most parents are very careful in reporting any occurrence of infectious disease in their family or house, but a few forget the importance of letting the school know of this at once. The knowledge of how to disinfect (in disinfecting a child's pencils, etc.) to be taken, and observation to be made of any sign of ill-health in the class. If attention is directed to these early, the complaint may be prevented from becoming epidemic.

Twenty-six children were entered for the Preparatory examination of the Royal Drawing Society in June, and they all passed—24 with honours. Twenty children are going up to the Central British School in January.

**TWO INNOVATIONS.**

I have two innovations to report. We had our first Sports Day on March 17th, organized by Miss Knill, our Games Mistress. Several of the senior boys at the Central British School rendered great assistance. The Kowloon Cricket Club kindly gave us the use of their grounds for the occasion, and many parents and friends were present. Mr. Brown, Inspector of English Schools, presided and assisted and that the event had been such a success that it will be repeated annually. You probably noticed six plots at the side of the path. These are our school gardens, which we began this year to help our Nature Study. At the same time they beautify a waste piece of ground. Mrs. de Marigny has kindly given us the benefit of her experience in laying out the plots, and she has also given us a number of plants, for which we are most grateful.

On June 25th we had our "Open Day" when parents could come and see the children at work in their Form-rooms, inspect their Hand-work, etc. and speak to their form-mistresses about individual difficulties. Mr. Brown recorded that he was struck by the cheerful atmosphere and by the good work done in the school. We are glad to have Mrs. de Marigny with us to-day, and all unite in wishing her and Mr. de Marigny a good leave, and every happiness in the future. Our thanks are due to the Committee of the K.C.C. for many kindnesses; to the Kowloon Cricket Club for the use of their grounds; to the Union Church, Kowloon, for the use of chairs, and to Messrs. Der A Wing for special drawing prizes. In conclusion I must thank all the staff for their co-operation throughout the year.

**PRIZE LIST.**

Class 7.—First prize and scholarship, Jenny Felschaw; second prize, Richard Labrum; Headmistress's prize (for greatest progress), Jean Nelson; special prize (drawing), Douglas Milia.

Class 8.—First prize, Dolores Hensley; second prize, Jean McFadyen; Headmistress's prize (for hard work and progress), Edward Beatty; special prize (progress), Anthony Ridlington; special prizes, most "work stars," Dorcas Hensley, Jean McFadyen, Brian Mahoney, John Hodge, Edward Beatty, Betty Goodwin, Anthony Ridlington, June Moss. (Continued on Next Column.)

**COMPRADORE'S  
SCALES****HEAVY FINE IMPOSED  
THIS MORNING**

A flagrant case of the use of false scales came to the notice of the Police Magistrate (Mr. Schofield) to-day, when the proprietor of Hung Cheong, a compradore's shop in Nathan Road, Kowloon, was summoned for operating a pair of hand-scales showing a 4 per cent. balance against the customer.

The device, in this case, consisted of the tying of a number of Chinese copper cash to the underside of the pan.

The defendants are coal contractors to H.M. Government, besides carrying on the usual compradore's business, and his Worship expressed his surprise that such a large firm should have stooped to a trick.

Inspector R.H.E. Marks, Inspector of Weights and Measures, agreed.

A fine of \$100 was imposed, the scales being confiscated.

**SUGAR MARKET****THE LATEST CABLED  
QUOTATIONS**

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

**London Terminals**

March 1933 5/3 1/4 down 1/4 d.  
May 1933 5/5 1/2 down 1/4 d.  
August 1933 5/8 1/2 down 1/4 d.  
December 1933 5/11 1/4 down 1/4 d.  
Buyers at above prices, sellers asking 1/4 d.-1/4 d. more.

**New York Terminals**

March 1933 74 up 2 pts.  
May 1933 80 up 3 pts.  
July 1933 84 up 1 pt.  
September 1933 88 no change.  
Cuban 96°—Spot N.Y. 85 no change.

Class 9A.—First prize, Eleanor Lower; second prize, Guy Mullarky; Headmistress's prize (progress), Bill Kelly; special prizes: progress, Derek House and Roger Arnold; conduct, John Wright; reliability, Dennis Harris; neatness, Mollie Lawrence.

Class 9B.—First prize, David McKelvie; second prize, Sandy Baxter; Headmistress's prize (progress), Winifred Ingram; special prizes: General neatness, Poppy Arnold; tables, Dorothy Stratford; sketching, Brinn Patrickson; good progress, Dick Taylor; special prizes, Ruth Taylor, needwork, Sybil Roussett.

Class 10A.—First prize, Jean Hale; handwork, Eva Grady; special prizes (progress and good conduct), James Lethian, John Cameron, Jack Way, Jill Stokes, Kenneth Hardy.

Class 10B.—First prize, Jocelyn Ridlington; second prize, Nan Taylor; third prize, Margaret Rodgers; handwork, 1, Olive Wheeler; 2, June Tinson; special prizes for progress and conduct, Roy Styles, Kathleen Hyde-Lay, Muriel MacIntyre, Jean Grady. Royal Drawing Society Certificates.—Two courses.—Jenny Hensley, Sheena Taylor, Brenda Niles, Alice Fraser, Edward Beatty, Jean Nelson, June Moss, Albert Odell, Dorothy McCaw, Avicor Sanderson, George Jewitt, Murray Nish, Dolores Hensley, Frank Bishop, Brian Mahoney, Douglas Milia, Robin Lind, Ellen Spence, Evelyn Roussett, Florence McKelvie, Derek Foreman, Betty Goodwin, George Wright, Pass—Ruth Kehr and Willard Grant.

**SPLENDID PROGRAMME.**

The programme by the kiddies, which preceded the prize-giving, splendidly testified to the painstaking care with which they had been prepared. It would be hard to choose which of the numbers was the best—perhaps the honour should go to the recitation—"The Jackdaw of Rheims", which was rendered by about fifteen of the youngsters.

The Maypole Dance, which concluded the programme, was also neatly executed. Other items were the enrol "Good King Wenceslas", "Winter"—a musical interpretation, Ring Dance and "The Leprechaun" by Class 10. Nativity Play by Class 9a and 9b and a Song—"Summer Days Are Coming".

After the prize giving Mrs. de Marigny was presented with a basket of flowers by Jean Grady and Geoffrey Keeley.

Mr. A.O. Brown, Inspector of English Schools, at the conclusion of the prize distribution said that, on behalf of the Headmistress, he wished to thank Mrs. de Marigny for distributing the prizes, and also desired to thank every member of the school staff for the very good work done during the past year. The school had now been in existence eleven years, but the present one was the best of all.

"Two members of the staff are going home on leave shortly," Mr. Brown added. "They are Miss Bottington and Miss Steele. I would like to take this opportunity of wishing them a very pleasant leave, and also to thank Miss Steele for postponing her leave one year. She was due to go on leave last year, but we found that we could not spare her. I hope these two mistresses will not be pinched" while they are away," Mr. Brown added, amidst laughter.

**RADIO  
BROADCAST****PIANO RECITAL BY MISS  
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From Z. B. W. on wave-length of 355 metres (845 k/c)  
6-7 p.m. Chinese programme.  
6-6.15 p.m. Children's Concert.  
7-10.30 p.m. European programme.  
7-7.15 p.m.  
Selected London and New York Stock Quotations, etc.

A programme of records kindly loaned by Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith.  
Piano Solo—Waldesrauschen (Liszt).  
Piano Solos—(a) Waltz in D Flat, Op. 64, No. 1 (b) Etude in C Major, Op. 10, No. 7 (Chopin).

Violin Solo—Cantzonetta (d'Ambrosio).  
Violin Solo—To a Wild Rose (McDowell).

A. Foa.  
Piano Solo—Etincelles (Moszkowsky).  
Piano Solo—Arabesque, Op. 45, No. 1 (Liszt).

Anderson Tyrer.  
Song—"Spiel" Ich die Unschuld Vom Lande ("Die Fledermaus"—Strauss).  
Song—"Mein Herr Marquis" ("Die Fledermaus"—Strauss).

Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano).  
Piano Solos—(a) Flirtations in a Chinese Garden (b) Rush Hour in Hongkong (Chasins).  
Piano Solo—Impromptu in A Flat (Chopin).

Benno Moisevitich.  
Violin Solo—Tambourin Chinois (Kreisler).  
Violin Solos—(a) Moment Musical (Schubert) (b) Tambourin (Rameau-Kreisler).

Fritz Kreisler.  
Piano Solo—Valse in E Major, Op. 34 (Moszkowski).

Arthur de Greef.  
Song—"Die Mainacht (Brahms).  
Song—"In Waldesheimmarkt (Brahms).

John McCormack (Tenor).  
Piano Solo—Jeux d'Enfant (Ravel).

Benno Moisevitich.  
Concerto No. 3 in D Minor (Chac-manoff, Op. 30) (1st Movement).  
Allegro played by Vladimir Horowitz and the London Symphony Orchestra, directed by Albert Coates.

Vocal Duo—"Gruss" Gott, Mein Junker ("Die Meistersinger"—Wagner).  
Vocal Duo—"Mein Freund, in Holder Jugendzeit" ("Die Meistersinger"—Wagner).

F. Schorr (Baritone) and R. Laubenthal (Tenor).  
Orchestral—La Gioconda—Dance of the Hours (Ponchielli).

Court Symphony Orchestra.  
Orchestral—Carmen Suite—March of the Smugglers (Bizet).  
Orchestral—Carmen Suite—Soldiers Changing the Guard (Bizet).

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.  
Orchestral—Eugene Onegin—Waltz (Tchaltakovsky).  
Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden.

Orchestral—Valse de Concert (Glazunov).

San Francisco Symphony.

9-9.30 p.m. From the Studio.

Selections by the Music Makers.

9-9.45 p.m.

A programme of records from Z. B. W. Library. Orchestral.

Shepherd's Hey (Grahner).

Molly on the Shore (Granger).

Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Garden.

(a) Serenade (Volkman) (b) Flight of the Bumble Bee (Rimsky-Korsakov) (c) Valse Triste (Sibelius).

Chicago Symphony Orchestra conducted by Frederick Stock.

9-10.15 p.m. From the Studio.

A. Chopin. Piano.

Liafonorte Recital by Miss Amelia Lee.

10-10.30.

A Selection of records from Z. B. W. Library.

Moonbeams and Shadows (Squire). Melody (Dawes).

The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

Valse Caprice (Rubinstein).

Perpetuum Mobile (Wagner).

The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

(This record is by special request).

10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-Day Press News.

10.33 p.m. Close Down.

**EMPIRE PROGRAMME.**

Today's programme from GSD, Daventry, broadcasting on a wave-length of 25.25 metres (11,865 kilocycles).

5.30 p.m. Time Signal from Big Ben. Gramophone records of Instrumental and Vocal Solos.

6.15 p.m. Talk to an Un-named Listener.

6.30 p.m. Dance Music.

7.15 p.m. News Bulletin.

**KZRM PROGRAMME.**

Today's Broadcast from the Manila station:

6.00 p.m.—Tea Dance Programme New La Loma Cabaret Orch.

6.10 p.m.—Spanish Informational Period.

6.30 p.m.—English Informational Period.

7.00 p.m.—Studio Cebuano Programme Ludovina Gonzales.

7.15 p.m.—Spanish Presentation.

7.45 p.m.—Musical Souvenirs—Guest Artist—Elena Stewart Cotterman.

8.00 p.m.—Studio Requests.

8.15 p.m.—Burgos Students' Radio Club—Key Rowe—"Me" Master.

8.45 p.m.—Stock Quotations.

8.50 p.m.—Victor Masterpiece Presentation.

9.00 p.m.—Dance Music—Bay View Hotel Orchestra.

10.30 p.m.—Close down.

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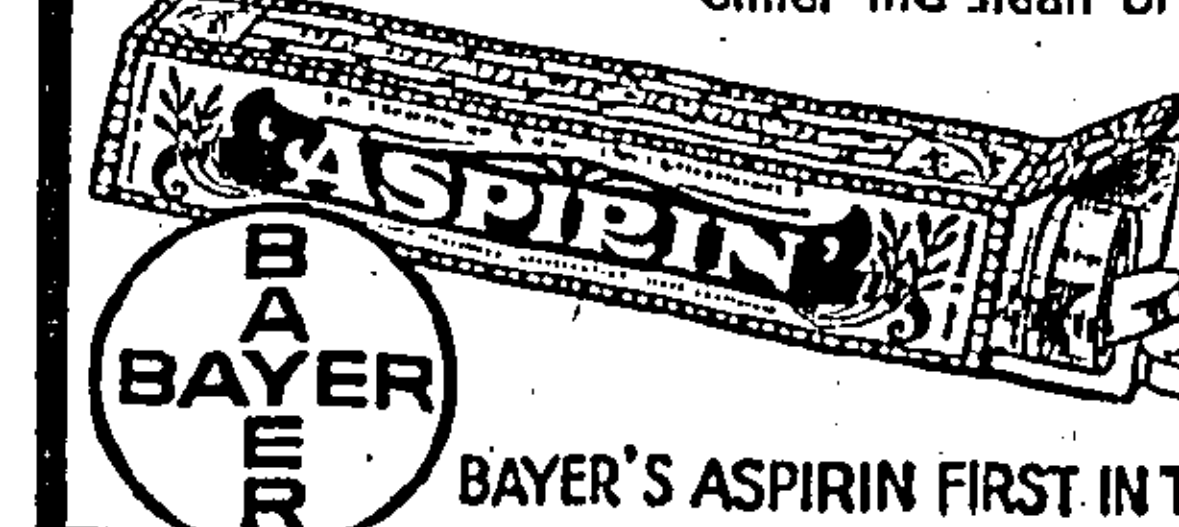
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**FOOTBALL.**

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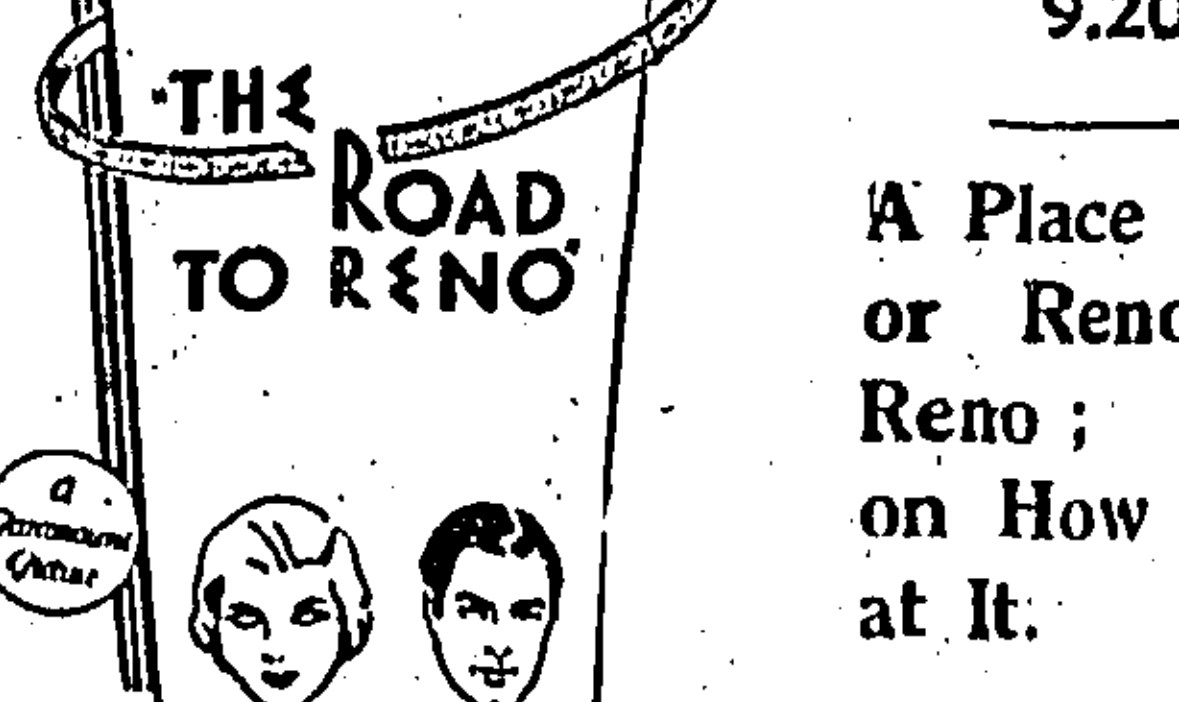
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# RETURN OF THE COLONY'S LIGHTWEIGHT CHAMPION

## IN RETROSPECT

### POINTERS FROM FIRST HALF OF RUGBY SEASON

### DECLINE OF NAVY: ADVANCE OF CLUB: BRILLIANT ARMY

(By "Threequarters")

WITH half the local rugby season behind us it is perhaps of interest to review that portion in retrospect. Firstly, I propose to deal with this year's Navy XV who, at the beginning of the season bid fair to repeat their invincible record of the team which represented the senior service last year. With the coming of H.M.S. Devonshire to the China Fleet, the gaps in the Navy back division caused by those who had left the station were more than adequately filled, while there were several good substitutes for the positions in the back vacated by Glick and Pizey. The only place which was at all difficult to fill was that of hooker, left vacant by the departure of Brownman, and this has been a great stumbling block in the way of the Navy success this season.

It would appear that Robertson, who, I understand, has been capped for Hampshire, has been the most successful of those tried but even so the Navy have never yet managed to get their fair share of the ball in the tight scrums, and have been handicapped accordingly. In the earlier part of the season their back division was probably the best we have seen out here, and the Navy appeared to have the Triangular Tournament in their pockets, so to speak. Their early promise has not been fulfilled, and since the departure of a marked Devonshire there has been a marked falling off in the play of the whole side. Their record to date in the representative matches is three wins and three losses, but the last three matches have all been lost, so it would seem that the decline I have mentioned is an undoubted fact.

THE Army XV have not carried off the honours in the Triangular Tournament since 1912, but they have this season the best XV for many years, and are, at the moment, the only unbeaten side in the competition. In the South Wales Borderers we have a regiment with a proud record as any on the rugby field and since the advent of Lieut. Martin, the old Army wing three-quarter, the battalion at present in Hongkong have taken to the game with an added zest.

THE Borderers can boast of a victory over the Club and, although in itself a somewhat fortunate one, this win does give a true indication of the playing strength of the regiment. For the Army matches the nucleus of Borderers is added to by four stalwarts from the Royal Artillery in Lieut. Prior, Lieut. Hebert, Lieut. Macfarlan and Lieut. Birt, forming a very formidable combination which seems likely to carry off the Triangular Tournament honours.

PERHAPS I might go so far as to say that much of the Army success this season has been due to the play of Pte. Stevens at stand-off. This versatile player (here he is) has been the mainstay of the Army attack this year and has never failed to prove a thorn in the side of the opposition. The other Army backs are steadily improving their play and we can expect to see Martin and the Army right wing getting that share of the ball which his attacking prowess merits, in which case the defence of the opposition will be severely tested.

TURNING to the Club's representatives, we can at last say that they are showing a definite all-round improvement and may yet carry off the honours when they visit Shanghai. One must realise when criticising their earlier displays that the absence of Solby, Robertson and several others through injuries deprived them of much of the talent they possessed, and a result a new team had to be built up.

THEIR display on Saturday would certainly seem to confirm the impression that they have entered a phase of improvement. There forwards are infinitely better than last season, the hooking has been satisfactory all along, and the play in the loose which was very mediocre in the earlier games has now improved beyond measure.

IN Miller the Club have a living forward with a thorough knowledge of the game acquired whilst playing for Loretto School and afterwards for London Scottish, and he, together with Hall-Thompson, late of Blackheath, and Munro, another London Scot, form a back row which bids fair to equal the Navy trio in their play in the loose. Some of the other members of the pack, unfortunately, lack that thorough knowledge of the game which is such an asset in modern

SEBLY has had to be content with the role of spectator and his absence has certainly had a marked effect on the attack of the back division, although Macintosh, his deputy has been playing really well. Turner, Ridge and Griffiths have all been improving steadily and with Lammert approaching his best form, and Ferguson's improved running the Club back division would seem to be becoming a scoring force.

PERHAPS the most improved player of the whole side is Rigg. He was disappointing at full back and only very mediocre when first tried in the centre, but he has played really well in the latter position in his last two matches, and it will be a thousand pities if he is unable to get away for the Interport. White's return to the Club side has certainly been a big help, and I don't think I have ever seen him play better than in the last two Club matches.

ON Saturday next we are to have one of the tit-bits of the local season when the Club meet a XV selected from the two Services. The latter are bound to produce a strong side and the Club will have to go all out to hold them, especially as I hear that Griffiths, Jenkins and McElmy are doubtful starters for the game. The match is being played on the Army ground at Sookumpoo, and perhaps I may be forgiven if I offer a forecast of the probable United Services XV. It is—full back, Lt. Buckley (R.N.); three-quarters, Lt. Martin (S.W.B.), Lt. Galletly (S.W.B.), Lt. Partridge (R.N.), Sto. Packer (R.N.); half backs, Pte. Stevens (S.W.B.), Pte. Hoskins (S.W.B.); forwards, Lt. Linton (R.N.), Lieut. Hebert (R.A.), Pte. Lloyd (S.W.B.), E.R.A. Berget (R.N.), L/Cpl. Hardy (S.W.B.), Habbuck (R.N.), Lt. Crowehead (S.W.B.), Pte. Walters (S.W.B.). I am picking the foregoing on the presumption that Lt. Watson is on the injured list and Lt. Pizey will not be available.

## POINT TO POINT

### KEEN RACING AT CANTON

### FOUR EVENTS ON PROGRAMME

The Canton Ride held its first Point to Point meeting of the season on Sunday last over the paddy fields in front of the Tungshan Garden Klub.

There were four events in the meeting, for different classes of ponies. This included a special race for ladies only. The full success of the various events and the excitement provided at the finish certainly justified the interest shown by the very large crowd of spectators who had gathered in the enclosure erected for the purpose.

Almost the whole course, which was approximately a mile and a quarter in length could be seen from the enclosure. The track was marked with flags and included quite a number of natural jumps and sharp turns which resulted in a few spills.

The Mayor of Canton and Mrs. Liu Gay Man were two interested spectators. At the conclusion of the meeting the prizes were presented to the winners by Mrs. Liu Gay Man.

The results were as follows:—

#### THE RESULTS.

1st Event for C Class Ponies.  
Mr. J. W. Ptolmey's "Pink Pearl" (Mr. Paxton) ..... 1  
Lt. Col. Koziki's "Black Hussar" (Mr. G. Hardt) ..... 2  
Mrs. Crowe's "Gold Medal" (Mr. J. H. Ferguson) ..... 3  
Other starters were Mr. T. Conolly's "Fatty" (owner) Mr. Ding Ki Twa's "Callieula" (owner) Mr. H. Balist's "Sheek" (Mr. H. Gerhold).  
2nd Event, Ladies Race.  
Lt. Col. Koziki's "Sheekhan" (Mrs. Annot) ..... 1  
Mrs. Balist's "Patsy" (owner) ..... 2  
Other starters included Lt. Col. Koziki's "Faithful" (Mrs. Lehmann) Lt. Col. Koziki's "Hopo" (Miss Gillett) Mrs. Jansson's "Advent" (owner) Mr. O. E.

## STR. LAKE

### A BRILLIANT BOXER

### CERTAIN TO FIGHT IN HONGKONG

### New Year Attraction Promised

(By "Veritas")

STOKER Percy Lake, one of the cleverest boxers to appear in local tournaments will definitely be seen here before the current season of the Hongkong Boxing Association expires, according to Mr. J. Brook, the Hon. Secretary.

Stoker Lake, holder of the Lightweight Championship of the Colony, is returning in the New Year on H.M.S. Berwick and efforts will be made to stage him as soon as possible.

At his weight, Lake is one of the most successful fighters in the British navy. In addition to holding the local lightweight belt in 1927, and again in 1930 and 1931, he has won nearly all the Lightweight titles of the British navy.

#### MANY ACHIEVEMENTS.

In 1930 he won the Lightweight Championships of the China, Atlantic and Mediterranean Fleets and between 1927 and 1931 did not suffer a single defeat.

In 1928 he won the All China championship at his weight, and the following year carried off the West Indies title.

In England he enjoyed outstanding successes such as victories over Young Johnny Brown, Ernie



STOKER LAKE.

Jarvis and Kid Socks, and overseas he included among his innumerable successes, the defeat of Tommy Fielding the lightweight champion of British Columbia and J. Woods, the champion of Seattle.

#### CLEVER PUGLIST.

His last appearances in the Hongkong ring were December 1930 and January 1931, when he twice defeated A. B. Dobson for the Lightweight belt.

He then delighted the onlookers with a beautiful display of boxing, straight lefts which constantly found his opponents face and body being a feature of his whirlwind fighting.

These two fights are still regarded as among the finest ever seen in the Colony, and the return of such a clever boxer should provide a big fillip to the Hongkong Association who have suffered too many disappointments already this season.

## BILLIARDS

### LINCOLNS BEAT Y.M.C.A.

### LAST NIGHT'S MATCH

Although winning the major number of games, the Y.M.C.A. were beaten in aggregate by the Lincolns in a billiards match at the "Y" last night, the Regiment scoring 794 points to 769.

It was a most enjoyable evening, full of good billiards, and several excellent breaks were recorded.

C. A. Wright of the Y.M.C.A., scored the biggest break of the evening with a 49, and other leading breaks were scored by James 39, Thompson 33, Pim 31, Sergeant Ash 30, L/Cpl. Herriott 27 and Pte. Atkinson 25.

After the match, the teams enjoyed refreshments and arrangements for a return match were made.

Scores:—  
Ponsford 150 Sgt. Ash 122  
Wright 150 Sgt. James 120  
Thompson 150 L/Cpl. Herriott 108  
Pim 150 Cpl. Mottley 144  
Gray 74 Pte. Abbott 150  
Tate 85 Pte. Atkinson 150

## FOOTBALL COUNCIL MEETING.

### Draw for Forthcoming Shield Competitions.

#### VACANCY FILLED.

A meeting of the Hongkong Football Association Council was held yesterday afternoon, under the chairmanship of Major C. M. Mannara, O.B.E.

The draw for the Shield Competitions resulted as follows:—Club v. S. W. Borderers; Navy v. Police; Byes: St. Joseph's, South China, R.A., Kowloon, Lincolns, and Chinese Athletic. Junior: Recreation v. Navy; Lincolns v. St. Joseph's; S. W. Borderers v. R.A.; Chinese Athletic v. Ewo; R.A.F. and R.A.S.C. byes.

Messrs. G. T. May and Caswell, and Captain G. F. Fleetwood were appointed members of the Selection Committee in connexion with the teams for the match between England and Wales.

Representations which took the form of two letters on Nov. 28 and Dec. 10 sent by Captain Cooper, a member of the Council, regarding incidents occurring on the field on two different dates, next received the attention of the Council. A delay occurring before the reply to these was sent was explained to be due to the absence from the Colony of members of the Emergency Committee.

The Chairman reiterated the necessity of his being promptly informed on these matters, particularly when they concerned one of their Council members, as being best conducive to

## KOWLOON CHESS CLUB

### Penultimate Round Games Last Evening.

#### TOURNAMENTS ENDING.

Matches in the penultimate round of the Kowloon Chess Club championships were played off last night and on Friday the final games will be played. There are several tie-outs, particularly in the Junior Event. The Seniors, however, should be finished before Christmas.

Results:—  
Senior.  
P. T. Rozario - C. E. Wong 1  
B. Soltan - A. D. Sequeira 1  
C. M. Sequeira 1, A. C. Hiding-ton -  
Junior.  
H. H. Bush 1 A. J. Brinkoff -  
A. L. Rocha - T. E. Parry -  
M. Cunliff - A. Prata -  
Dr. H. D. Matheva - P. Yvanovich -  
H. Eustace - A. Kurik -  
M. Cunliff 1 H. H. Bush -  
T. E. Parry 1 A. Prata -  
Matches postponed.

#### harmonious settlement.

Permission was granted by the Council for members of the St. Joseph's team to proceed to Manila between February 3 and 21 in connexion with an invitation from the P. I. A.A.

Mr. McTavish having resigned from the Council, Mr. T. A. Mitchell was appointed to take his place. The vacancy created by Mr. McTavish's retirement in the Emergency Committee is filled by Mr. G. T. May.

## MAMAK HOCKEY

### 24TH BATTERY DRAW WITH R.A.M.C.

#### THE LEAGUE TABLE

In the only Mamak tournament game played yesterday honours were easy, the 24th Battery and the R.A.M.C. playing to a goalless draw at Sookumpoo. The match was keenly contested throughout and both defences played sound games.

1st Bty.	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
H.K.S.	11	10	0	1	51	0	21
Radio	11	10	0	1	45	0	21
R.C. Signal	13	2	1	41	9	10	
Midway	12	0	2	4	25	12	10
St. Andrew	10	7	2	1	30	11	15
R.A.S.C.	15	0	0	3	21	22	15
Inconitos	7	0	0	0	27	3	14
R.A.M.C.	14	3	0	5	13	21	11
Police	7	4	1	2	13	10	10
R.E.	13	4	8	1	12	29	9
Phoenix	8	2	3	1	13	10	9
University	8	4	2	0	14	12	8
Tamar	11	3	6	2	13	22	8
12th R.A.	7	3	3	1	12	10	7
Wishart	5	3	2	0	10	15	6
Veteran	5	2	3	0	4	7	4
Parthian	5	2	3	0	9	11	4
German Club	10	2	8	0	8	37	4
24th R.A.	8	1	5	2	7	21	4
20th R.A.	9	1	7	1	3	19	3
R.A.O.C.	0	0	8	1	0	26	1
K.I.T.C.	11	0	10	1	6	41	1
8th Destroyers	1	0	1	0	1	2	0

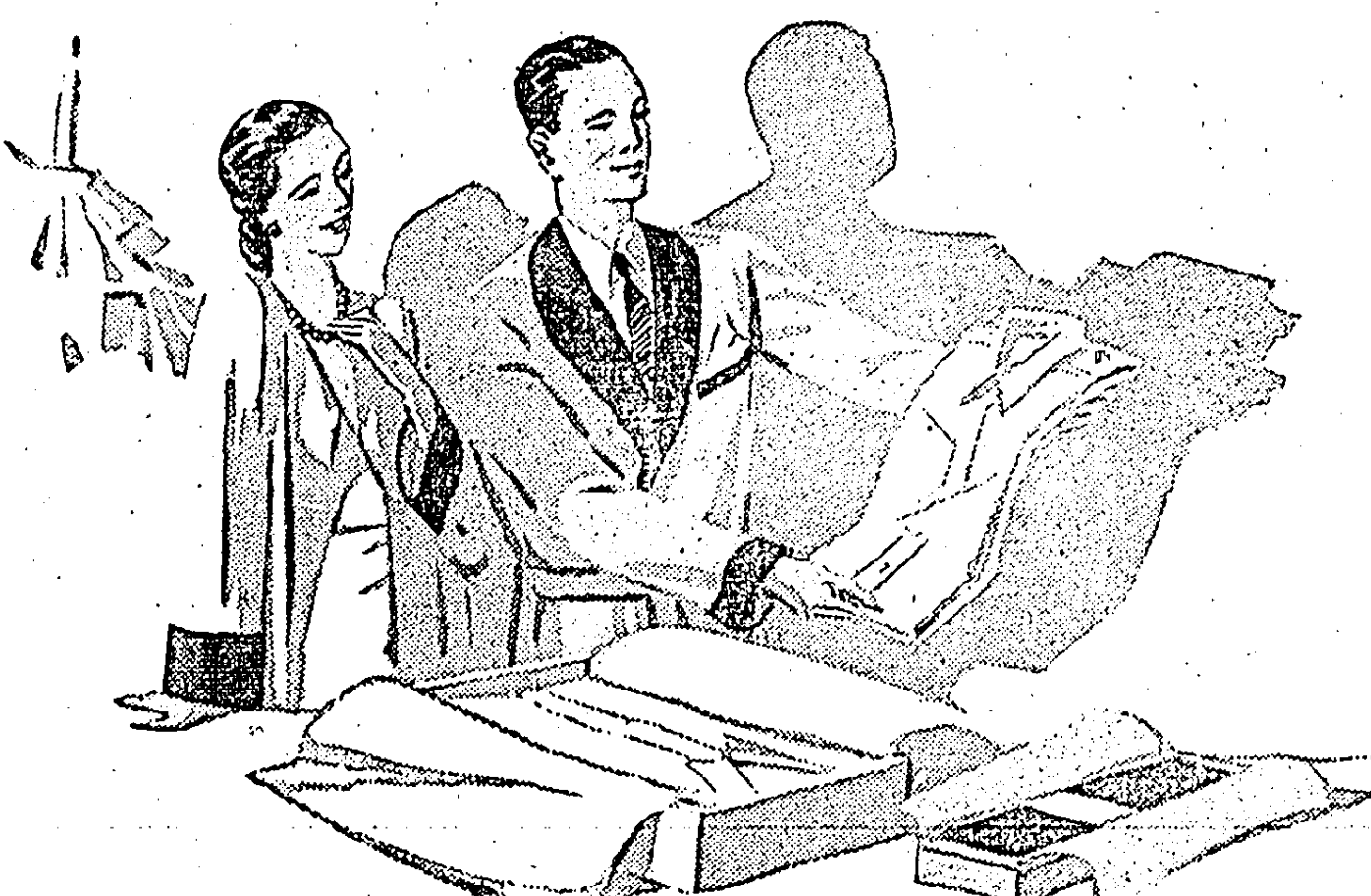
## SUB-GRIFFINS FOR 1933 SEASON.

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Thirty subscription griffins which arrived among the first batch of subs for the Hongkong Jockey Club for the 1933 season have been named by their owners. The second batch of subs, delayed by the flood in Hailar will arrive in the course of the next few weeks. The brand numbers of the ponies, their names, colour, height, and stable name respectively appear in the list below:

C32, Honolulu Moon, Bay, 14.1, Yam Man; C33, Peasie, Bay, 13.2, Phalaris; C34, Spring Field, Bay, 13.2, Field; C37, Jack O'Lantern, Bay, 13.3, Sureton; C42, Charming Face, Bay, 13.2, Samson; C43, Cleary, Bay, 13.1, Grist and Beck; C49, Lucky Star, Bay, 13.2, S. M. Kong; C 52, Heather Leaf, Bay, 13.3, A. H. Carroll; C63, Double Eagle, Bay, 13.3, Mrs. Mok; C64, Partner, Bay, 13.2, Mrs. Priestley; C65, Warrington, Bay, 13.2, S. B. K.; C68, Warrington, Bay, 13.2, Lancashire; C69, Little Rock, Bay, 14.0, Owm; C72, Gold Box, Bay, 13.3, L. T. F.; C74, Kikittat, Bay, 13.2, Mrs. Dunbar; C76, Krata Via, Bay, 14.0, H. P. Rees; C78, Flying Boy, Bay, 14.0, H. S. Chan; C79, Tipton, Bay, 13.3, D. E. Samsom and Mrs. Priestley; C80, Never Mind, Bay, 13.3, Mok; C81, Hing-wing, C86, Black Rock, Black, 13.3, Mrs. Lowcock; C84, Black Velvet, Black, 14.0, H. L.; C75, Malva, Black, 13.2, Li Fuk-wing and Li Fuk-fai; C81, Wonderful Chivalry, Brown, (Continued on Page 4.)



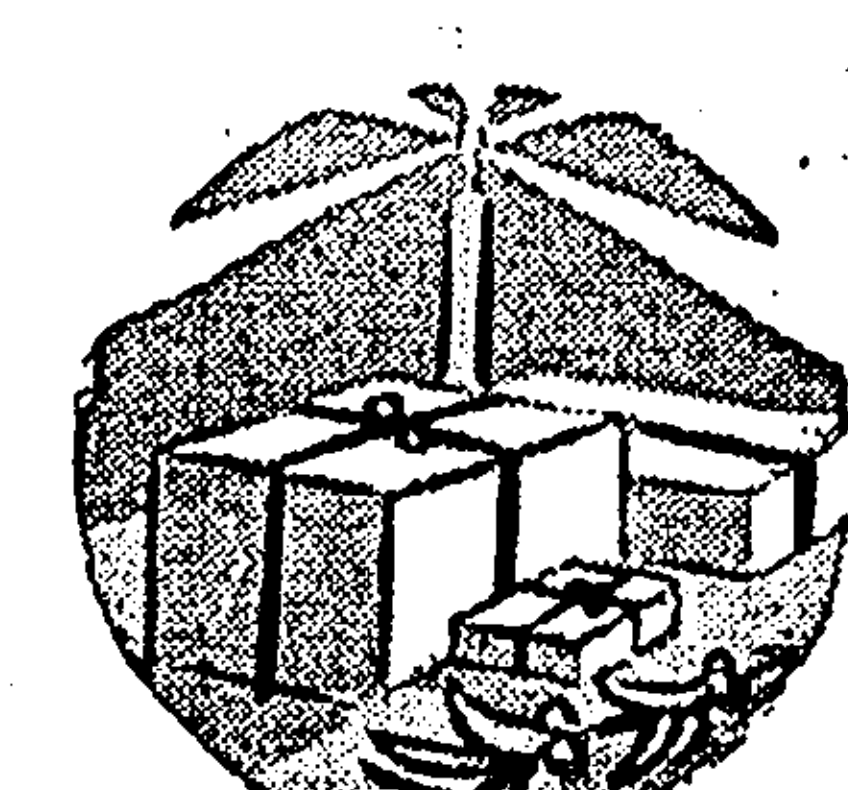
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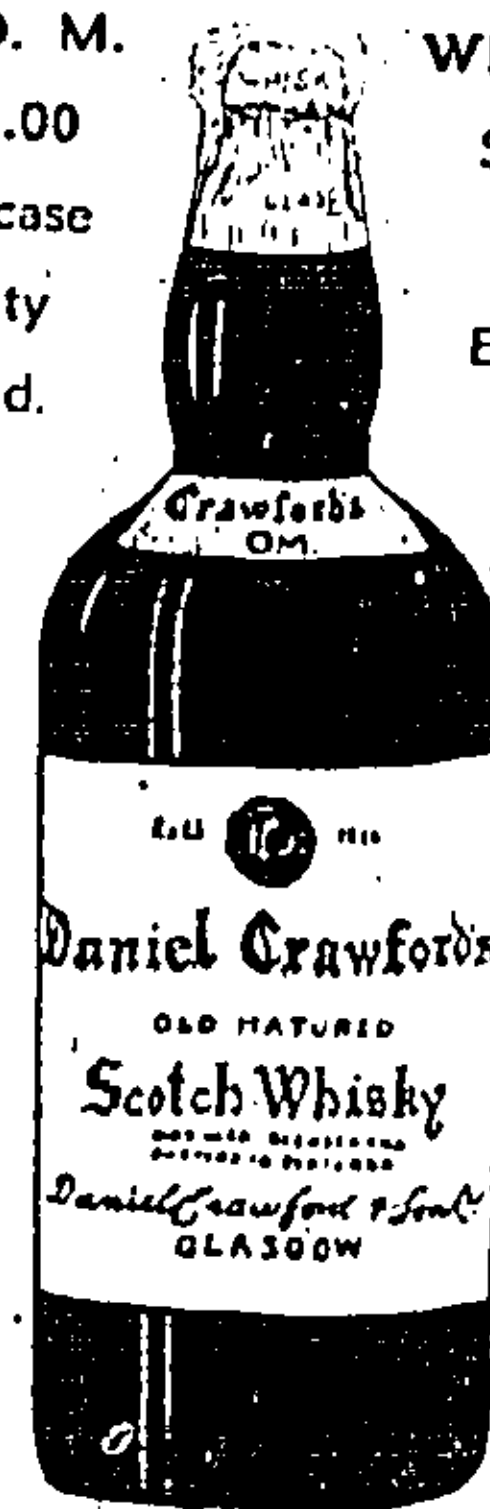
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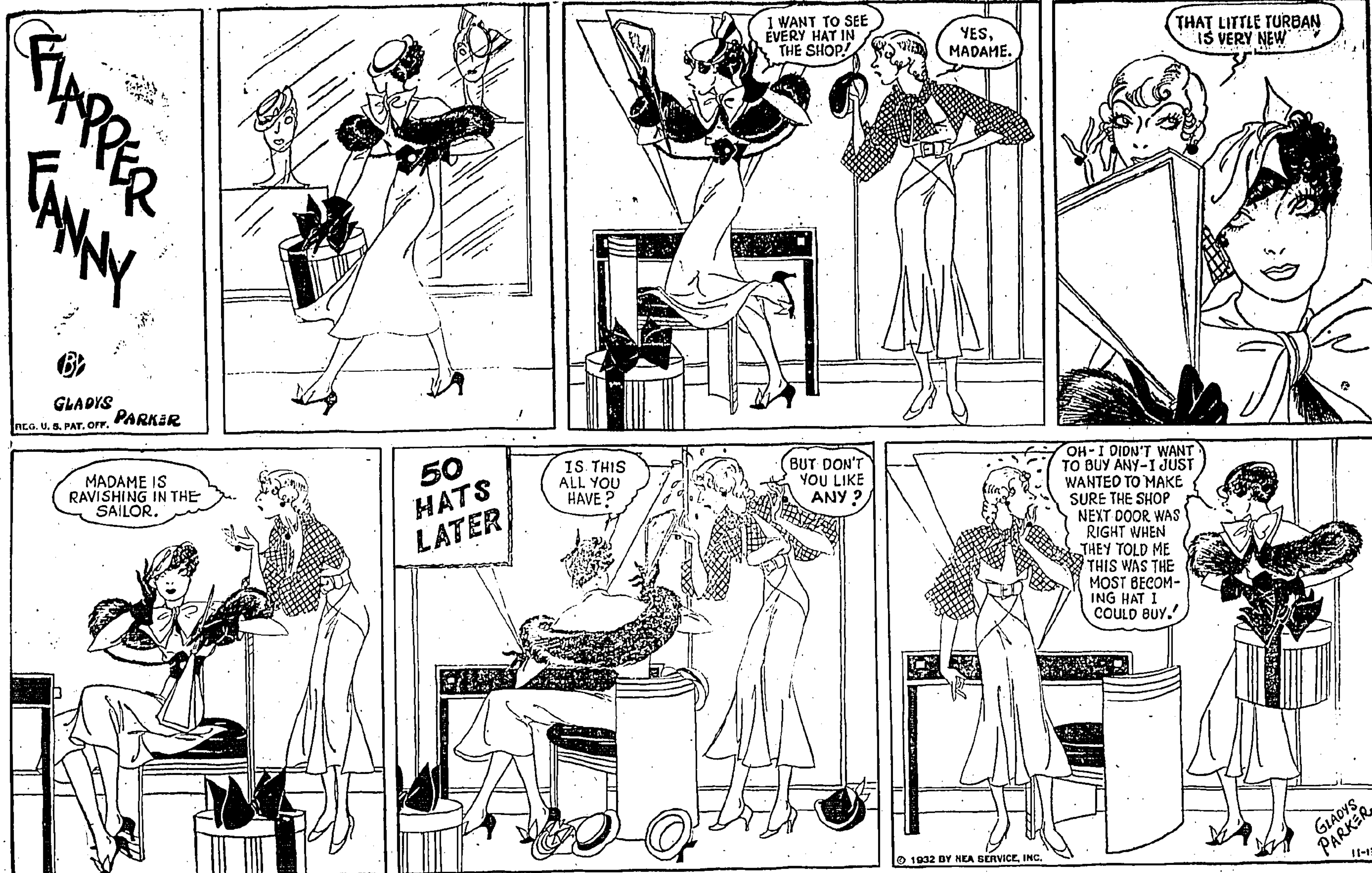
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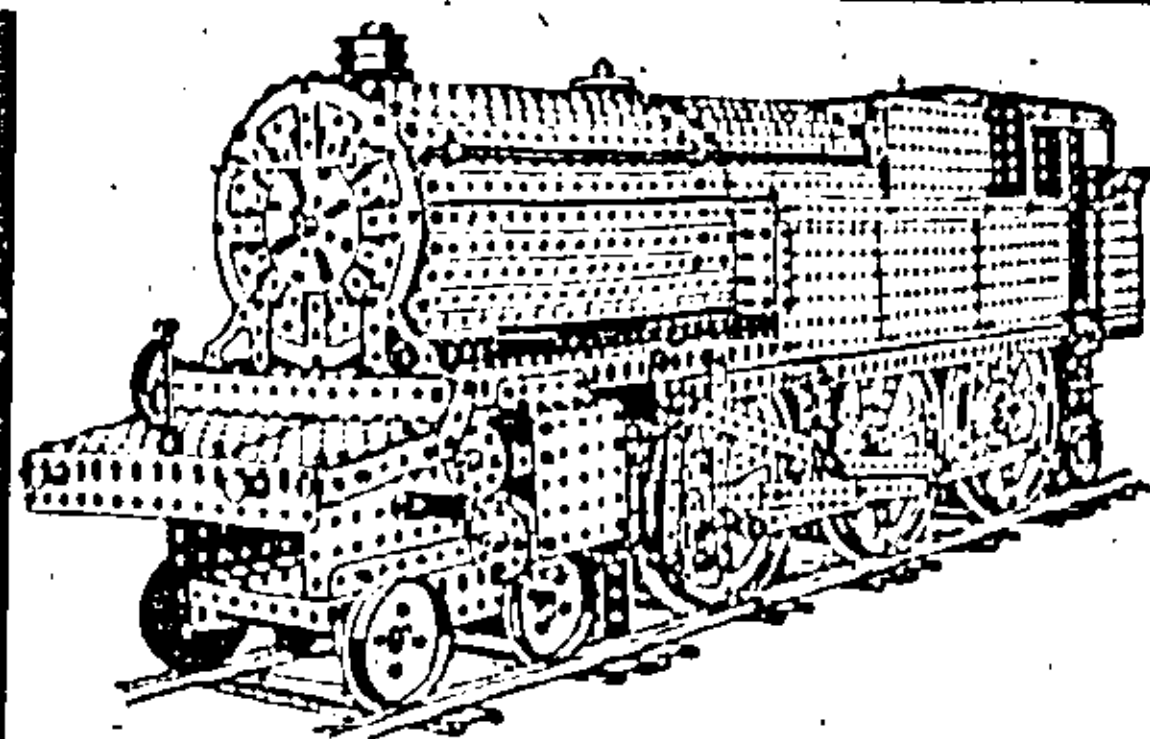
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### CINEMA SCREENINGS

#### NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES

The numberless admirers of the work and personality of young Douglas Fairbanks will be glad to hear that he has been raised to stardom, and that his initial starring vehicle, "Chances," a First National war romance, brings him to the Queen's Theatre to-day. "Chances" is an adaptation of the best-selling novel by A. Hamilton Gibbs, a major of artillery in the British Army during the World War. The emotional romance has to do with the love of two devoted soldier-brothers for the same girl. Though the solution of the problem is found in the terrific height of a night bombardment on the Western Front, most of the sequences are in London or the English countryside. The tragedy of the situation is heightened by the fact that the ill-fated brother who is engaged to the girl, is blind to the fact that she cares for his brother—till near the thrilling climax of the drama, the younger brother, who has done effective work as the young English officer whose dashing bravado is blent with conflicting emotions which make him false to his brother for the sake of a woman. Rose Hobart, famous on the Broadway stage, plays the girl, Anthony Bushell, member of the "Diurnal," is the brother. Others in the fine cast are Holmes Herbert as commanding officer of the brothers, Mary Forbes as their mother, Edmund Breon, Harry Allen, Jeanne Fenwick, Edward Morgan and Tyrrel Davis. Screen play and dialogue are by Waldemar Young. "Chances" was directed by Alan Brown, who has directed many pictures for the elder Fairbanks. "Chances" is the first picture to depict the services done by artillery in time of war. The technical adviser was Capt. J. S. Scott, who served in that branch of the service of the British Army during the World War.

"Disorderly Conduct," now showing at the Oriental Theatre is a fine study of modern police. "What Price Glory" was to the army, what "Disorderly Conduct," new Fox picture, is to the police forces of to-day. Sally Eilers, as a politician's daughter who is the cause of all the trouble, adds another bright star to her scintillating array of screen performances. Spencer Tracy, in the leading role of the motorcycle officer who goes wrong after his unmerited disgrace, scores a personal triumph. Ralph Bellamy, who scored recently in "Surrender," here gives an equally convincing performance as an honest police captain. A fine supporting cast, headed by Allan Dinehart, El Brendel, Ralph Morgan, Charles Grapewin, Dickie Moore and other notables, and many realistic settings contribute to the picture's excellence.

John Gilbert in "Downstairs." He's played a poet and he's played a bootlegger. He's been seen as a

swashbuckling Westerner, as a romantic French bravo of medieval times, as a newspaper reporter, as a stage magician, as a soldier and as a tramp. These are just a few of the varied roles John Gilbert has played during his remarkable screen career. But audiences will see him for the first time as an engaging villain in "Downstairs," which opens on Sunday at the Queen's Theatre. In the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, based on a story written by Gilbert himself, the star brings to the screen a characterization utterly different from any he has essayed before. The role is that of an unprincipled man who raises havoc in the castle of a baroness by whom he is employed as a chauffeur. He cleverly inveigles himself into the confidence of the aristocracy "upstairs" as well as the servants' staff "downstairs," and becomes a turn blackmailer, wife-stealer and thief. In the end the rouge receives his just deserts. Virginia Bruce, whose engagement to Gilbert was announced recently, plays opposite the star in "Downstairs" and an important role is also filled by Paul Lukas. The remainder of the cast includes Hedda Hopper, Reginald Owen, Olga Baclanova, Rodi Kosing, Otto Hoffman, Lucien Littlefield and Marion Lessing, with Monta Bell directing.

#### "Dance Team."

A truly great picture, a credit to its stars, its cast, its authors and director, a film of which the entire motion picture industry can justly be proud of is "Dance Team," the Fox photoplay showing to-day at the King's Theatre. Its stars are those incomparable "Bad Girl" favourites, James Dunn and Sally Eilers, its cast includes Minna Gombell also of "Bad Girl" fame, among others, its adaptor and dialogist is Edwin Burken, who was responsible for the sparkling lines of "Bad Girl" and its director is Sidney Lanfield. The of Dunn and Miss Eilers are nothing short of superb. And just as sincere and intelligent and human as Dunn and Miss Eilers in their roles are the other members of the cast, particularly Miss Gombell, Harry Beresford, Ralph Morgan and Nora Lane.

#### "Blonde Venus."

The most alluring colour combinations conceived by Paris and Fifth Avenue fashion experts are used in designing the costumes worn by motion picture actress during the filming of pictures—this in spite of the fact that under the camera's eye all colours are reduced to variations of black and white. But there's a reason for it, and a good one, according to Josef von Sternberg, Hollywood director, who made Marlene Dietrich's latest starring picture, "Blonde Venus," which comes to the King's Theatre next Sunday. Players do not work in costumes of simple black and white because the monotony of the combination would kill every spark of creative effort, he explains. Miss Dietrich has nearly a score of costumes in "Blonde Venus."

### OIL DISPUTE

#### PERSIA'S VERSION OF THE BRITISH ATTITUDE

London, Dec. 20.

A report from Geneva states that, following the deposit of the British memorandum regarding a fair and amicable settlement of the Anglo-Persian dispute, the League Council has received a communication from the Persian delegation, speaking of the "intimidating and almost threatening attitude of the British Government towards Persia."

This communication agrees that the matter be laid before the Council, but requests a postponement till certain documents come from Teheran. It points out that the matter is not urgent, as the Persian Government does not intend taking measures against the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, pending an agreement.—Our Own Correspondent.

### EVEREST EXPEDITION

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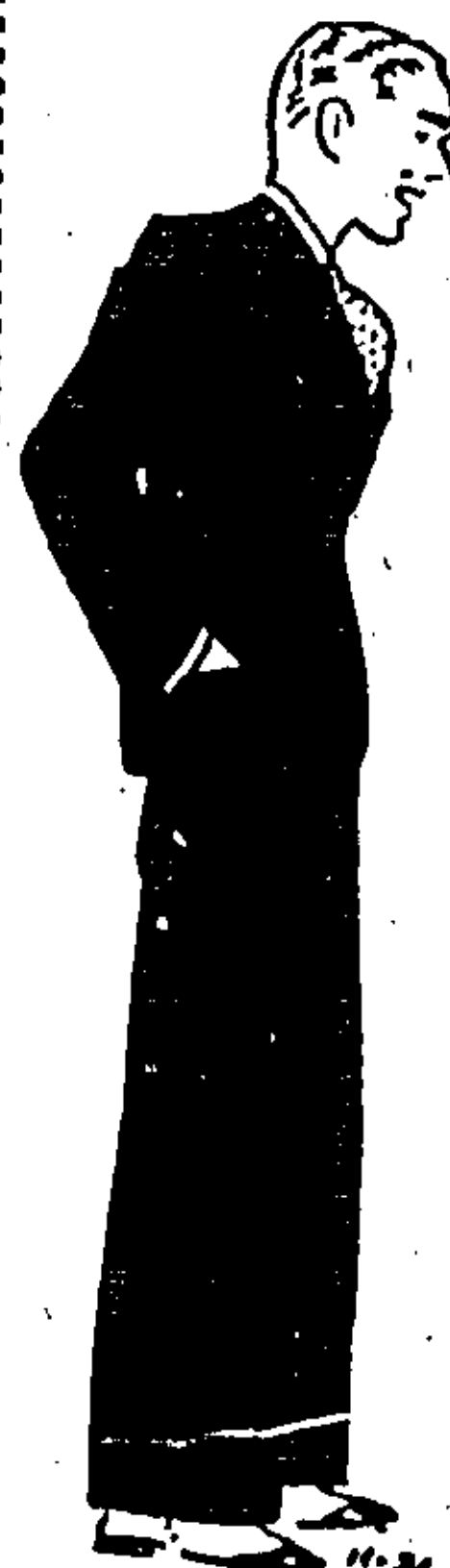
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## HONGKONG HEALTH PROBLEMS.

### INCIDENCE OF MALARIA AND TUBERCULOSIS

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon, with Mr. G. R. Sayer, the President, occupying the chair, the others present being the Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson, M.O.H., Mr. Dr. G. W. Pope, M. K. Lo, Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. Li Shu-fan, Mr. C. F. Champlin, Mr. C. H. Basto, Mr. J. H. Gelling, secretary, and Mr. Ng Mui-kai, assistant secretary.

Questions regarding malaria and its prevention in Hongkong were put by Mr. M. K. Lo, and the chairman replied in detail.

Mr. Lo first asked: "With reference to my questions on the 8th December, 1930, the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies of the same day, my further questions on the 8th December, 1931, and the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies of the same day, regarding Malaria and its prevention in Hongkong:

(i) Will the Head of the Sanitary Department be kind enough to ascertain from the Government, and inform this Board, whether the "comprehensive survey of the Colony" by the Malariaologist has now been completed and when it will be published or made available for information of this Board?

Survey Not Complete.

Mr. Sayer replied: The survey is not yet complete, and in consequence the Malariaologist has not yet presented a complete report. Sufficient has been done, however, to justify, in the view of the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, the following conclusions "inter alia:

(a) the most dangerous carrier in the Colony is Anopheles Minimus.  
(b) an important carrier is Anopheles Jepponiensis.  
(c) there is a decided seasonal influence.

Anti-Malarial Work.

Mr. Lo put the following further question:

(ii) In regard to the following quotation which formed part of the Head of the Sanitary Department's replies to my questions on the 8th December, 1931, namely:—"A sum of \$150,000 has been included for Anti-malarial works in the Estimates for 1932 and the Government is in consultation with the owners of property affected in certain of the areas with a view to commencing work early next year", can the Head of the Sanitary Department give any information to this Board as to whether, and if so, what, Anti-malarial work has been effected during 1932?

Mr. Sayer—I am informed by the Director of Public Works that:

(a) despite delay during the rainy season good progress has been made in the Quarry Bay District.  
(b) the training of two nullahs at Stanley Peninsula near Rural Building Lots 240, 242, 244 is nearing completion.  
(c) satisfactory progress has been made on the training of the large stream course at the South-west corner of Sookunpoo Valley.  
(d) work at Lyceum was put in hand in November.

Deaths From Malaria.

Mr. Lo further asked: (iii) Will the Head of the Sanitary Department be kind enough to tabulate for the information of this Board the number of deaths attributable to malaria reported as occurring in the Colony in 1929, 1930, 1931 and up to the end of November, 1932?

Mr. Sayer.—In 1929, 420, in 1930, 515, in 1931, 452, and in 1932, to 30th November, 446.

### "Poor Law" Infirmary.

Mr. Lo then asked: "With reference to the Motion which was passed by the Sanitary Board on the 18th February, 1930, in regard to the prevalence of Tuberculosis in the Colony, and which urged the Government inter alia "to consider the feasibility of providing some form of 'Poor Law' infirmary for the care of chronic cases," to the questions which I addressed on the 22nd July, 1930, including, inter alia—" (c) In particular whether any decision has been come to in regard to the feasibility of providing some form of 'Poor Law' infirmary for the care of Chinese cases", and to the reply on the same date in the following terms—"As regards the provisions of a 'Poor Law' infirmary for the tuberculous, the Government, though sympathetic, considers that priority must be given to the erection of a new Government Civil Hospital, the extension of the Kowloon Hospital, and the construction of a properly designed Infectious Diseases Hospital". Will the Head of the Sanitary Department state whether or not the question of providing 'Poor Law' infirmaries for the treatment of tuberculous cases, which was recommended by the Honourable the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services himself at the meeting of the Sanitary Board held on the 18th February, 1930, is still under consideration by the Government and, in view of the fact that provisions have apparently now been made for the construction of a new Government Civil Hospital and for the extension of the Kowloon Hospital, whether any definite announcement can be made as to how soon such infirmaries can be provided?

### Government Attitude.

Mr. Sayer.—The Government is fully alive to the need for an infirmary and the matter will be further considered when the finances of the Colony permit.

### The Death Rate.

Mr. Lo.—Will the Head of the Sanitary Department state the total number of deaths reported as having been due to pulmonary tuberculosis in the Colony for the years 1930, 1931 and up to the end of November 1932, as compared with the total deaths due to all other notifiable diseases occurring in the same period?

Mr. Sayer, in reply, gave the following figures:

	1930	1931	1932
Deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis	1,994	1,983	1,880
Deaths from notifiable diseases	282	151	528

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## "WEEK-END MURDER"

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sentimental tenderness of his race. "I'm sorry for that kick—I am that!"

Tom glared at him. He knew the little dog had not deserved such rough treatment and now especially he could not forgive it.

"You—you couldn't help it," Linda tried to palliate the sin. "She did move quickly for an old dog, sometimes, and you must have been surprised."

"We both were!" Shaughnessy laughed with the hearty abandon of the easily amused and then checked himself at his host's glance of disapproval.

"I'll be back in a moment—," said Linda suddenly, and fled upstairs. The men watched her, ill at ease. Then, abruptly deciding that the rest could content themselves a while without him, Averill excused himself and followed her. Halfway up the stairs he met the Belgian, coming down, and returned his suave greeting with curt brevity. Then, repenting, he stopped and turned.

"Excuse me, DeVos. We're a bit upset this morning. No, nothing serious. Be down shortly. You'll find the others in the sun-room."

Averill did not find Linda enjoying the relaxation of "a good cry" as he expected. Instead she was sitting on the edge of the bed, very calm and poised but facing the door as though waiting for him. When he did come she spoke in a tone of concentrated fury.

"Tom—you're dead sure it wasn't an accident?"

"Couldn't have been, honey. The poor old dog was—well, just smashed!"

"Well, then—do you realize that whoever did it is right in this house now?"

"Linda!" He was shocked into a seriousness he seldom betrayed. "What on earth? Why?"

"Reason enough. I told you last night that every man of the lot has a terrible temper—the sort that would break out into goodness-knows-what. Buntly did behave badly—I can't think why. Several of them had trouble with her and others might have. Mr. Shaughnessy admits he kicked her."

"I think that rules him out."

"Tom was so satisfactory. No matter how unreasonable one's notions, he always gave them fair consideration. He wouldn't own up to it so quickly. Besides, he may be hot-tempered and impetuous, but that—"

Linda's lips set more firmly.

"He's strong as an ox. And if he were annoyed—look how furious he got at Cousin Amos last night. He was just white with rage. I could see his hands shake! I wouldn't have been surprised if he'd strangled him! But then, every one of them could have done it!"

"Linda, darling, don't say that! Probably it was that burglar gang."

"In the first place, burglars poison dogs and get rid of them quietly. They don't bother to—mess them up the way you describe. That takes sudden temper. And then, if it were burglars, why didn't they go ahead and burgle when the dog was out of the way?"

"May have been afraid the fuss

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At the conclusion of the concert, Mr. A. R. Sutherland congratulated the children and their teachers on the fine concert.

was overheard.

"Was the place locked up?"  
"Oh, sure. But of course with so many windows—"

"Can't you look on them for scratches or something?"  
"Yes, and I can ask all the people here to try to remember whether they heard any noises or disturbances last night."

"Of course, probably every one—except the one who did it—went right off to sleep. I know I did."

"So did I. But Linda—"

"What?"  
"Shaughnessy didn't go over to the garage by himself. I walked along the roadway with him and stood right at the edge of the grass until he went in the door. I didn't see Buntly then."

They looked at each other.  
"He must have come out afterwards. And he must have thought someone heard him or he wouldn't have taken pains to mention the kick. He really sort of dragged that in, Tom."

"Probably he wasn't sleepy, and just wanted to roam about."

"There was a wealth of incredulity in the grim syllable. 'Well, what ought we to do?'"

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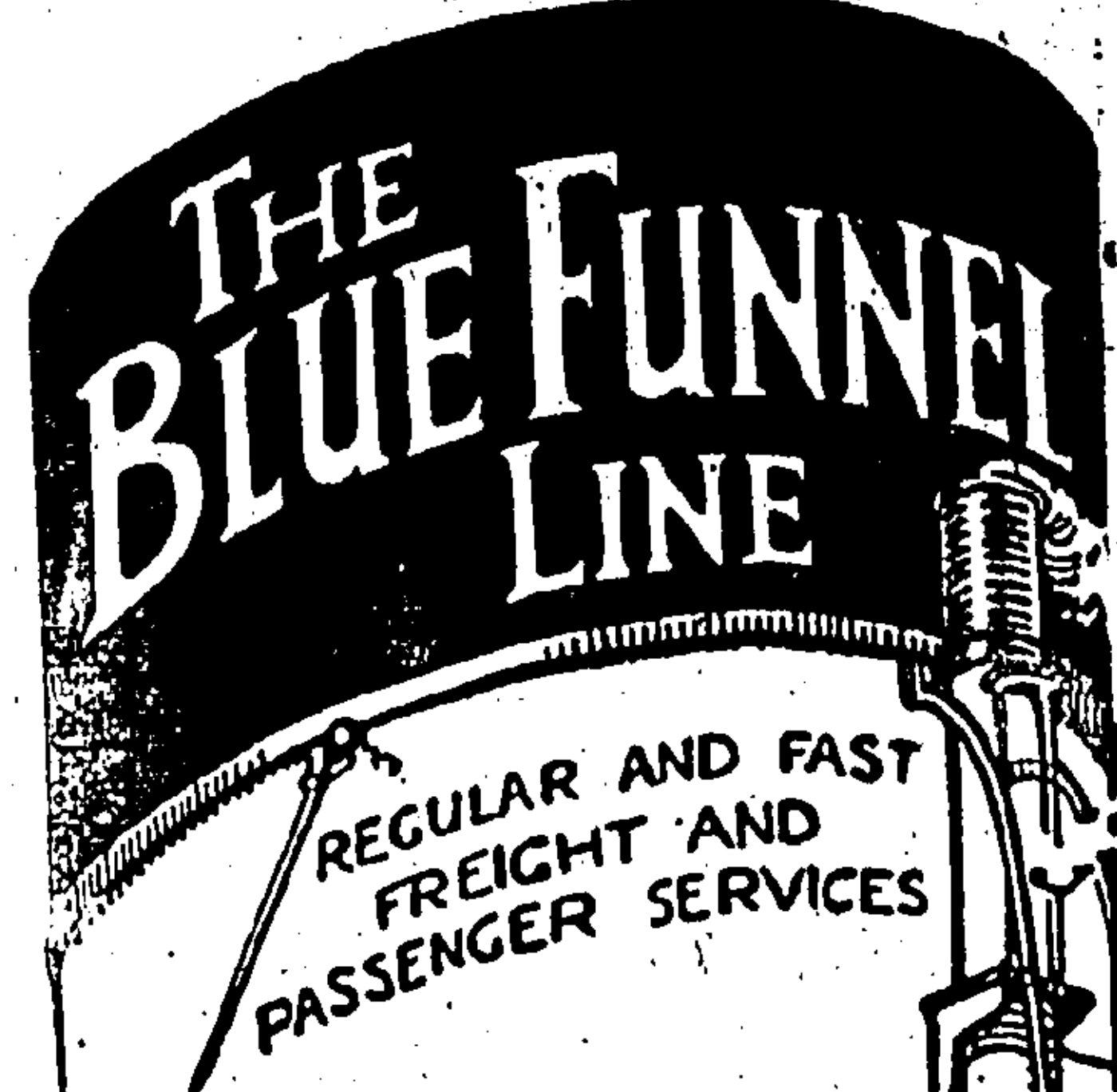
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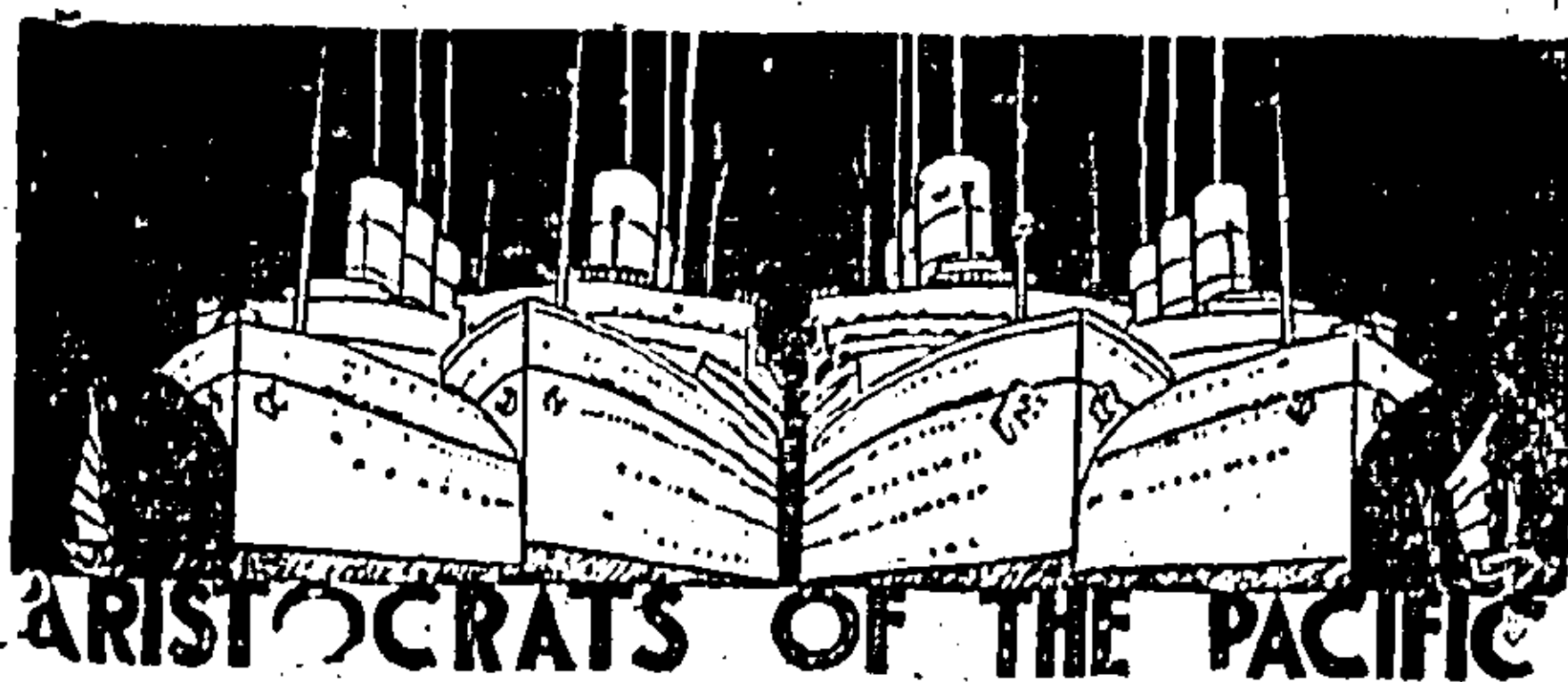
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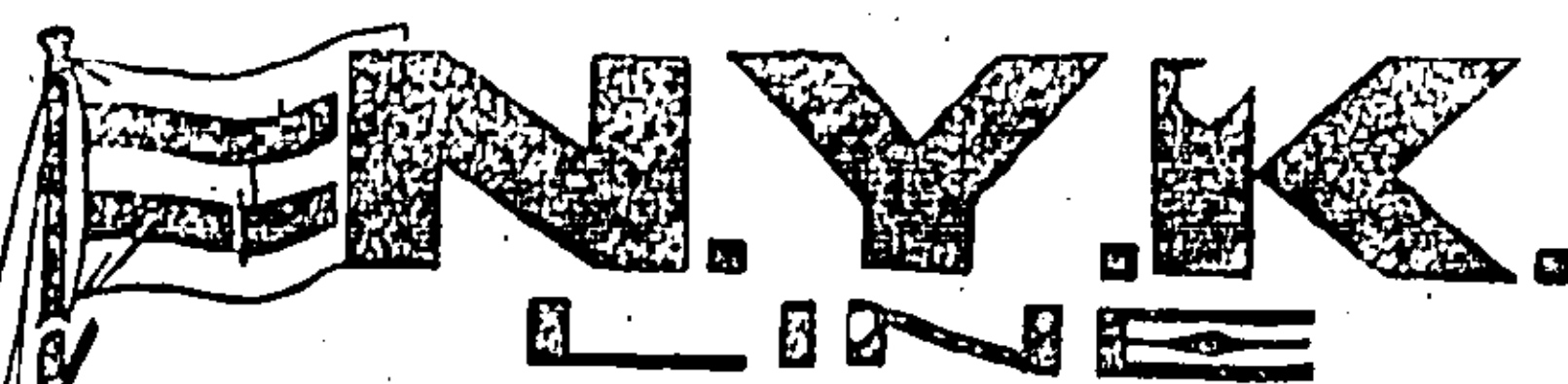
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Chenonceaux ..... 20th Dec.

Athos II ..... 3rd Jan.

D'Artagnan ..... 17th Jan.

Andre Lebon ..... 31st Jan.

Felix Roussel ..... 14th Feb.

G. Metzinger ..... 28th Feb.

Porthos ..... 14th Mar.

Aramis ..... 28th Mar.

Chenonceaux ..... 11th Apr.

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By W. E. McKenney

Weak overcalls too often give the declarer valuable information which enables him to play for an extra trick.

▲K-10-4	▲5-3
▲A-10-2	▲Q-J-8
▲A-8-4-2	5-4
▲10-9-4	▲7-6-3
▲Q-J-7	▲8-3-2
6-2	
▲7-6-3	
▲K-J	
9-5	
▲Q	
▲A-9-8	
▲K-9	
▲Q-10	
▲A-K-J-7-6-5	307

## The Bidding

In this contract hand, South opened with one club. West overcalled with one spade. Some players will justify this overcall, but without a sure quick trick in the hand, it is a better pass.

After the South bid, North went to two No Trump, East passed, South bid three clubs and North went to three No Trump.

## The Play.

The opening lead by East was the five of spades—the top of his partner's suit. Dummy played the eight. West the jack and North, the dummy, won the trick with the king. He then played the ten of clubs, but refused to take the finesse, going up with the king and catching West's queen. Holding ace, king, jack, the finesse should not be taken on the first round, and with nine clubs in sight, no finesse should be taken.

A small club was returned from dummy. West discarding the three of hearts, the declarer winning the trick with the nine of clubs. The four of clubs was then led to dummy's ace. West discarding another heart. The three good clubs were led from dummy. West dropping a heart, a diamond and a spade, the declarer discarding two diamonds and a heart. East played the eight and four of hearts and then the three of diamonds. The nine of hearts was led from dummy. West discarding the nine of diamonds, declarer winning the trick with the ace. The ten of hearts was then played by declarer and won in the dummy with the king. West was forced to discard the six of spades in order to protect his diamonds.

Due to West's overcall of one spade, he is practically marked with the king of diamonds. This information now allows the declarer to make a nice position play. He leads the ace of spades from dummy and then the nine of spades which West is forced to win with the queen. If he now leads the jack of diamonds, declarer will allow it to ride to the dummy's queen and in this manner get the last two tricks which will give him six odd at No Trump. As only three were bid, no slam bonus is scored.

## CHANGCHUN TO TOKYO

RAILWAY COMPANIES PLAN  
SUPER EXPRESS

Tokyo, Dec. 20. A plan is under way between the Imperial Railways, the Korean Railway and the S.M.R. Authorities for operating a super express service between Tokyo and Changchun. —*Reuter's Special.*

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Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th December, 1932, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 10th January, 1933, or they will not be recognized. To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th December, 1932, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1932.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

How the Money Goes

(To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.)

Sir,—In those comments occasioned by the recently published report of the S.P.C. made upon Hongkong poverty, I did not notice, among the factors mentioned as being responsible for the shocking state of affairs disclosed therein, two which, in my opinion, are of the very greatest importance. I refer to the practice of contract sub-letting and of "squeeze."

The squeeze and cumshaw evils, practised by contractors so generously in more prosperous times, but now more cautiously restricted, in their application to the really influential, must very seriously reduce wages, particularly in the case of those contractors whose speciality is the supply of "contract labour" only.

Squeeze and cumshaw money obtained from contractors, I hold to be, in a very real sense, "blood money"—flesh and blood money.

Similarly, sub-letting, especially the sub-sub-sub-letting that takes place in Hongkong, must, to a great extent, deprive the wage earner of his proper share of the money apportioned to the job in hand.

It seems to me that energy expended in an effort towards the abolition of evils such as those here mentioned would be thus much more commendably and usefully employed than in, say, the harassing of hapless, helpless, homeless hawkers, and suchlike trivialities that occupy so much of the valuable time of some of our busy public servants.

—ONE OF THESE.

## CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

The Steamship,

"ATHOS II"

Arrived Hongkong on Tuesday, the 20th December, 1932.

From MARSEILLES &amp; Co.

Consignees of Cargo by the above named steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery can be obtained as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Friday, the 30th December, 1932, or they will not be recognized. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs.—Goddard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, the 28th December, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL, Agent.

Hongkong, 21st December 1932.

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

The Steamship,

"MIN"

Arrived Hongkong on Thursday,

the 16th December, 1932.

From DUNKIRK, ANTWERP,

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Goods not cleared within 7 days including date of arrival, will be subject to rent.

All claims must be sent to the undersigned before the Saturday, the 24th December, 1932, or they will not be recognized. Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the consignees, and the Company's Surveyor Messrs.—Goddard and Douglas at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, the 22nd December, 1932. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any damaged dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyors.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1932.

No claims will be admitted after

R. OHL, Agent.

## OLD MASTERS

VALUABLE PICTURES  
IN TOKYO

Tokyo, Dec. 20. Japan can now boast of two pictures of William II and William III by Vander Helst.

These art treasures were brought to light by a chance discovery. A few days ago the Dutch Minister, Iker J. C. Pabst, asked the Japanese Government for permission to see Helst's pictures of Dutch Kings, which he said were presented to Japan, according to old documents. Investigation revealed that those pictures were stored in a warehouse of the military museum in Tokyo.

History shows that William the Third presented those pictures to the Shogun, Iyeyoshi Tokugawa, in 1844, when he proposed opening trade with Japan. The pictures are valued at half a million Yen in Tokyo.—*Reuter's Special.*

## REVIEWING THE FACTS

During the first six months of this year with business generally declining

and

with the tire industry as a whole suffering with the rest—

It is interesting to note that—

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"MIRZAPORE"	6,700	10th Jan.	Straits, Colombo, & B'bay
RANCHI	17,000	14th Jan.	Bombay, M'les & L'don
CARTHAGE	14,000	28th Jan.	Bombay, M'les & L'don
NALDERA	16,000	11th Feb.	B'bay, M'les & L'don
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"TILAWA"	10,000	28th Dec.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
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B. I. Apar Line steamers have excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class passengers.

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NANKIN	7,000	31st Dec.	Manila, Rabaul, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne
NELLORE	7,000	1st Feb 1933.	
PANDA	7,000	3rd Mar.	

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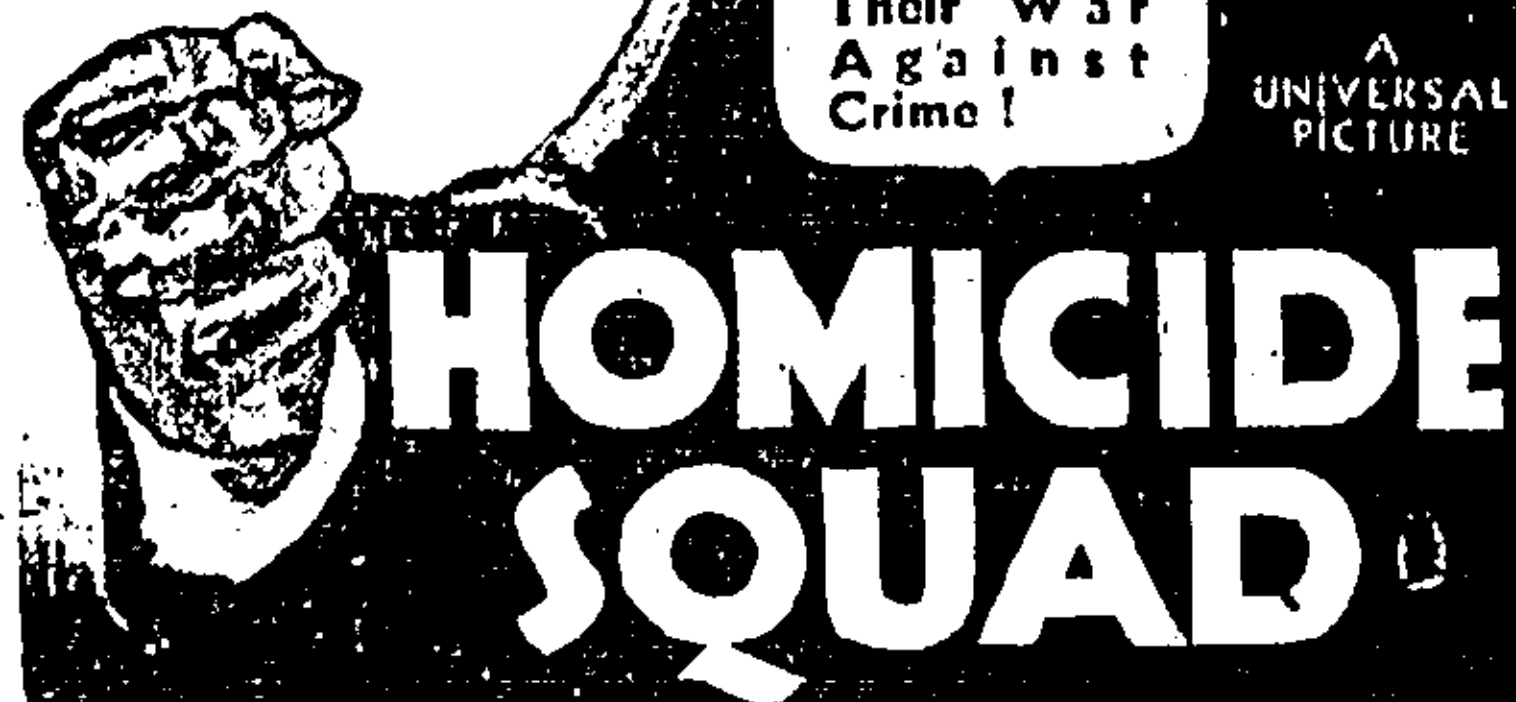
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"Get every crook in town...  
Drive them out of their dens...  
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Tear the town apart if you  
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One of them killed my son...  
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### ROTARY CLUB MEETING

### ADDRESS ON A.D.C. PRODUCTIONS

A most interesting review of  
A.D.C. productions at the Theatre  
Royal during the past twenty  
years, in which he had played a  
prominent part behind the scenes,  
was given by Mr. W.A. Cornell  
during a talk at the Rotary Club  
luncheon yesterday. The speak-

er dealt with the subject in a witty  
manner and was heartily thanked  
for his address.

The Hon. Dr. S.W. T'so presided,  
and during the meeting it was de-  
cided that Messrs. D. Maynard,  
F.A. MacIntosh, M.F. Key and H.  
Hong Sling be appointed a com-  
mittee to arrange for the annual  
dinner on January 14th. The  
dinner is to be a "stag" party, and  
the only guests will be members  
of the Canton Rotary Club.

It was announced that H.E. the  
Governor had sent a donation of  
\$50 towards the Children's Play-  
ground Fund.

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## PROBLEMS OF AFRICA

### ANGLO-FRENCH LIAISON ESTABLISHED

(Our Own Correspondent).

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21, 9.41 a.m.)

London, Dec. 21.  
The problems of Africa furnish-  
ed the theme of an interesting  
speech by Mr. Stanley Baldwin at  
the annual meeting of the Empire  
Parliamentary Association held  
last night.

Mr. Baldwin said that liaison  
has been established on the  
Colonial side of the Association  
between British people interested  
in African problems and French-  
men interested in the French  
colonial problem.

He predicted that Africa would  
provide some of the most tremen-  
dous problems of the next genera-  
tion and consequently, it was very  
important that the countries who  
were responsible for the guardian-  
ship, both of native rights and  
western civilisation through large  
areas, should have a common pur-  
pose and understanding.

### BODY FOUND ON FORESHORE

### POLICE SUSPECT FOUL PLAY

The decomposed body of a Chi-  
nese, approximately 40 years of  
age, was discovered on the fore-  
shore at Nim Wan, in the Ping  
Shan District, yesterday afternoon.  
The circumstances and the condi-  
tion of the corpse give rise to sus-  
picions of murder having been  
committed.

The discovery was made by

## RIGHT HAND PAYS LEFT

### NEW BRITISH "LOAN" TO AUSTRIA

### TO REPAY BANK OF ENGLAND

London, Dec. 20.

The House of Commons to-  
night approved a resolution au-  
thorising the Treasury in pur-  
suance of the Austrian Protocol,  
drawn up at Geneva on July 15th  
last, to guarantee the payment  
of the principal and interest on  
a loan of such amount as would  
produce a sum not more than one  
million gold shillings.

The Chancellor of the Exche-  
quer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain,  
explained that the protocol pro-  
vided, on the side of Austria, for in-  
ternal reforms, including the bal-  
ancing of the budget, and aimed at  
the abolition of exchange control  
and the strengthening of the Na-  
tional Bank.

The Austrian Government un-  
dertook to meet, in future, all its  
foreign obligations.

The proceeds of the amount of  
the loan to be guaranteed by the  
British Government was to be used  
to repay the temporary advance  
made by the Bank of England last  
year.—British Wireless.

Sergeant Hendridge at 3 o'clock  
yesterday afternoon. The wrists  
were bound tightly behind the  
back with sea grass, and the body  
was clothed in a white cotton  
singlet and four blue cotton  
jackets, with a purse attached to  
the leather belt. Between the lin-  
ing of one of the jackets were  
found \$3 in Chinese twenty-cent  
pieces.

The body had apparently been  
washed ashore by the tide.

## STRINGENT ECONOMY

### IMPROVEMENT IN CREDIT

Nanking, Dec. 21.

Despite the world industrial de-  
pression, the slump in the value  
of silver, the anti-Red campaign  
and the invasion of China by  
Japan, the Chinese Government  
had been able to balance its last  
Budget.

Without giving any precise  
figures, Mr. T. V. Soong, the Nan-  
king Minister of Finance, made a  
statement to this effect at to-day's  
meeting of the Third Plenary  
Session of the Kuomintang C. E. C.

The extraordinary financial  
difficulties at the opening of 1932  
had had its inevitable effects upon  
trade, he said, with a consequent  
panic and a remarkable drop in  
the quoted value of domestic  
bonds.

### HAPPY POSITION.

This situation rendered any  
prospect of fresh loans out of the  
question, but by stringent  
economy, the improvement of  
administration and taxes and the  
conversion of domestic loans, the  
Government had balanced its  
budget.

The result of this happy posi-  
tion, he added, was that the credit  
of the Chinese Government had  
much improved at home and  
abroad. Domestic Bonds were  
now, on an average, forty per cent.  
higher than early in the year and  
there had also been an appreciable  
rise in Chinese securities on the  
foreign markets.—Reuter.

# KING'S THEATRE

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same tenderness.  
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maneness.  
WIS-CRACKING  
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whether mistress or maid—with  
his love-making. And when he  
kisses a bride—she admits he's the  
best man at the wedding!



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### COTTON & WHEAT LATEST NEW YORK QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz  
have received the following quota-  
tions on the New York cotton and  
wheat exchanges for yesterday:

	Cotton	Wheat
May	6.20-6.20	6.17-6.17
July	6.32-6.32	6.28-6.28
October	6.52-6.51	6.47-6.48
Spot	6.10	6.10

A warrant has been issued for the  
arrest of Lam Hong, who was employ-  
ed as manager of the Po Hing Cheong  
firm of Connaught Road, on a charge  
of fraudulent misappropriation of a  
sum of \$25,200, on December 10 last.

# ORIENTAL THEATRE

TAKE ANY TRAM OR HAPPY VALLEY BUS.

### TO-DAY & TO-MORROW "DISORDERLY CONDUCT"

with  
SALLY EILERS  
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Rich enough  
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enough to  
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